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FIND PLOT KILL HOOVER

Dallas Man Is Crushed to Death Under Box Car

PLOT AGAINST HOOVER FOUND IN ARGENTINA

CHIEF OF POLICE CONFERS WITH MEMBERS OF GOVERNMENT

Buenos Aires, Dec. 12.—Several additional arrests were made today in connection with an anarchistic plot against the life of President-Elect Herbert Hoover.

Elaborate precautions have been taken to guard the entire line of the Transandean railway, over which Mr. Hoover will travel today from Los Andes, Chile, to Buenos Aires.

Bridges, culverts, snow sheds in the mountain passes of the Andean Cordilleras and other danger points along the transcontinental rail line from Chile across the mountains and over the Pampas of the Argentine are being picketed by troops and police.

General Juan Vacarezza, who was appointed to act as Mr. Hoover's aid during his visit here, and who left Monday on a special train to meet the Hoover party at the frontier, returned here yesterday on orders from the government. No reason for Vacarezza's recall was given.

Already several arrests have been made and more arrests were expected today.

Existence of the plot against Mr. Hoover, who is now en route to Buenos Aires from Santiago, Chile, where he was given a most cordial reception, was confirmed in an official statement issued last night. The statement did not reveal the exact number of arrests which had been made, but indicated the identity of the distrubance element was known to police.

The announcement said:

"The president, desirous of making President-Elect Herbert Hoover's stay in Argentina a happy one and to offer the greatest possible guaranty of personal safety, ordered the police to strengthen their observations of known anarchist elements. The police complied and found a house containing four hand grenades, two clyindrical bombs, revolvers and counterfeit money, all of which has been seized."

OLD M'KINNEY RESIDENT DIES AT HOME HERE

FUNERAL SERVICES CONDUCTED THIS AFTERNOON

Mrs. Mattie Rutherford, 73 years 0 months and 22 days old died at er late home in North McKinney, uesday at 1 o'clock, following an lness of a few days.

Mrs. Rutherford was taken ill nly a few days ago with influenza hich developed into pneumonia, re-ulting in her death.

The deceased was a loving and entle wife, neighbor and mother, nd was beloved by all who knew er.

The funeral services were conduct-d this (Wednesday) afternoon at 2 clock at the North McKinney Bap-st church by Rev. J. Ben Snider. nterment will take place in Wilson hapel cemetery.

Surviving Mrs. Rutherford are her sband, J. R. Rutherford; two ns, Jim Rutherford of McKinney, m Rutherford of Dallas and sen daughters: Mrs. J. X. Conder of cKinney, Mrs. Guy Hall of Mc-nney, Mrs. Josie Dinsmore of Mc-nney, Mrs. W. B. Bison of Mc-nney, Mrs. Bettie Mallow of Dal-s, Mrs. W. M. Darling of Mc-nney and Mrs. John Burrage of cKinney. Several grandchildren and o brothers also survive.

Keller and Crouch have charge of funeral arrangements.

Miss Bain Webb, one of the effi-nt teachers of the J. L. Greer orth) Ward school, fell Saturday her home and sprained her wrist. was necessary to put her wrist splints. Mrs. Juliug Purnell has n teaching for Miss Webb for past three days.

Mrs. Walter Howell is able to be after a siege of influenza. Mr. well's sister, Mrs. T. M. Beverly Crowell is a guest of her sister.

Aldridge Tells His Connection With Kidnaping

Dallas, Texas, December 12.—Details of the attacks on three Oak Cliff girls Saturday night and robbery of their escorts were given late Tuesday by Bennie Aldridge, charged in five cases of robbery and statutory assault. Aldridge admitted his part in the kidnaping and attacks.

Aldridge gave the details in a four-page signed statement, made voluntarily in the jail office, and implicating Lee Roy Merriman, who is in the hospital ward of the county jail under charges in conection with the robberies and assaults.

The three girls were separated forcibly from their escorts about midnight Saturday on a lonely road near the Holmes street pike, about siv miles from Dallas, and taken far into the country, where they were attacked. Later they were returned to Dallas and left near the home of one of the girls.

After releasing the girls early Sunday morning, Merriman and Aldridge went to Oklahoma, Aldridge's statement said. After remaining in Oklahoma but a few hours, they started back to Dallas and were arrested near the city by Detective Captain Leonard Pack and Detective Bob Jones. Merriman was wounded when he attempted to resist arrest.

Aldridge's statement showed he and Merriman were connected with a number of burglaries and holdups, and that their loot included sausages, meats, pillows, blankets, postage stamps, guns, pistols, clothing and other articles.

While the statement made no reference to the murder of Mrs. Cleo Licto and Mrs. Bessie Lynch near Dallas some weeks ago, Aldridge told officers that Merriman once had discussed the case. Aldridge and Merriman have denied any knowledge of the case.

PLOW COMBINE MAKES APPEARANCE IN THIS COUNTY

C. J. SMITH BIG M'KINNEY AUTO AND TRACTOR DEALER

The Pulverator—the plow combine, is an innovation in field cultivation that is now being demonstrated for the first time in Collin county. It is especially adapted to the destruction of Johnson grass, so it is claimed.

It has been on demonstration at Plano, where several acres of land were plowed, and several of them were sold to farmers in South Collin.

The Pulverator attached to a Wallis 20-30 tractor is being shown on the public square, and is eliciting much interest from farmers. C. J. Smith, the big McKinney auto truck and tractor dealer is giving out detailed information, prices and terms on this innovation in the way of a plow.

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The Plow Combine.

The Pulverator has the following advantages to recommend it:

First. It makes a perfect seed bed, pulverizing the ground at any depth that it is plowed without need of further tools or cultivation.

Second. It will permit deeper plowing than has been practiced, mixing the new soil with the old soil and positively covering and smothering weed, seed and foliage.

Third. We believe and have been told by Texas farmers that it will exterminate Johnson grass by the punishment in plowing, exposing the roots and completely covering the stalks.

Fourth. It positively turns under foliage regardless of height so that it is retained in the ground for whatever fertilizing qualities it may have.

Fifth. We believe that the Pulverator—the plow combine—will increase the yield of any crop the first year from 25 to 50 per cent.

This machine is be—ing made and sold by a large important corporation who stands behind it and guarantees it to be an implement that will last and give good service. It is being pulled by a Wallis 20-30 tractor, which has been sold in the state of Texas, and giving satisfactory results, for twelve years.

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C. J. Smith Says:

"It will be greatly to your interest to investigate this new method of plowing and preparing seed beds. If you have Johnson grass you can not afford to be without this Pulverator.

It is built in two sizes, namely two 14-inch bottoms, or three 14-inch bottoms. Any light artcor operating with a power take-off will successfully handle them.

This Pulverator plow combine is being shown and demonstrated in this territory by the Massey-Harris company, 611 Elm street, Dallas. The Massey-Harris company is an immense farm implement manufacturing concern that is operating in sixty-two foreign countries besides the United States.

Johnson grass has made great gains in this section of North Texas in the last few years and the Pulverator plow combine is especially adopted to helping kill this pest grass out and restore many Johnson gras ridden farms back totheir former cleanliness and desirability for the cultivation of every kind of row crop.

Mrs. Will Shipley, who has been quite ill with influenza, is much better today.

BANK ROBBERY SUSPECTS HELD

THINK PAIR MEMBERS OF GANG IN JUNCTION CITY, ARK., HOLDUP

Shreveport, La., Dec. 12.—Two alleged members of the bandit band that rifled the vault of a bank at Junction City, Ark., Dec. 5, after taking a night watchman prisoner, were captured early Tuesday morning on Ouachita river in Ouachita parish, by a posse led by Union parish and Eldorado, Ark., officers.

The two suspects were taken to El Dorado and lodged in jail, the offense having taken place in Arkansas.

The two men were captured at a farmhouse in a seculded section.

RAY, CONNOR & RAY STORE ARTISTICALLY DECORATED FOR XMAS

One of the artistically decorated stores around the square is the Ray, Connor & Ray Shoe store on the west side of the square.

One indeed feels the Christmas spirit of good cheer on entering the store. Festooned gracefully around the walls are red and green ropes of crepe paper and interspersed among this decorative note are large Christmas bells.

Two beautifully decorated Christmas trees, complete the decorations here.

The show windows on either side of the entrance to the store represent two beautiful scenes. The floors are covered with cotton, over which is sprinkled glistening snow. Various gifts for the family, friends and loved ones are beautifully displayed here.

Completing these decorations are two panels: One of the Three Wise Men, and the other representing the Star of Bethlehem. These panels are the work of Billie Shaw, who is also an employe in the store. They are done in black and white, with small pieces of mirror bringing out the high lights in these beautiful Biblical scenes.

Ray, Connor & Ray are receiving many compliments on their Christmas decorations, which are indeed clever and unusual.

FARM HOME TO BE SUPPLIED WITH NATURAL GAS

GEORGE CAMERON INSTALLS IT AT MUCH EXPENSE

George Cameron and wife, who recently moved from their home on the pike, near the northwestern part of the city limits, to the old Beecher Cameron homestead to reside with his mother since the death of his father, a few months ago, is, at his own expense, running a two-inch gas pipe line from his home where he has been living to his mother's place, a distance of perhaps fifteen or eighteen hundred feet.

This expense of over $500 is an impressive testimonial to the high appreciation of George and his good wife for natural gas as a fuel and modern economical home convenience, which they have become accustomed to.

"Gas" Williams, the genial manager of the Municipal Gas company, of this city, is naturally proud of George's enterprise in this respect. He says that this is just another striking example of the determination to have this utility again, by a family who has been deprived of it, after having once enjoyed its many advantages over any other kind of fuel.

Yes "Gas," this editor agrees with you as to the popularity of natural gas as a home convenience whenever it is at all available. We don't want to ever be deprived of its use ourselves. However, an ordinary country editor would never be able to pay the price to obtain it that our good friend, George Cameron, is paying.

Someone commenting on Mr. Cameron's enterprise said to the good-natured local gas company manager, "George Cameron is certainly mighty foolish man to pay such an outlandish big price just to let "Gas" Williams get his finger in his eye and hold it there for the rest of his days." Instead of becoming offended at this retort, good-natured "Gas" turned loose a laugh that resounded clear across the public square. "Gas" Williams, like Henry Ford, enjoys good jokes and the more you get off on him the better he likes it.

FATE OF BONDS UP TO RULING

CONSTITUTIONALITY OF ACT ON SCHOOL GROUPING IS QUESTIONED

Waco, Texas, Dec. 12.—A decision to be made by Federal Judge Charles A. Boynton of Waco, if it be sustained, will determine whether an act of the legislature as to school grouping and which became effective last year, is constitutional. The case is that of V. T. Bostick et al. vs. Dr. J. R. Knight et al., and it is now under advisement. It is probable a decision will not be announced by Judge Boynton until after his return from San Antonio, where he will open court next Monday.

T. P. & L. FEATURING ELECTRIC RANGE FOR CHRISTMAS

Many McKinney homes will be added to the list of those enjoying the conveniences of electric cookery when the Texas Power & Light Co. completes its Christmas electric range campaign, according to H. S. Ware, manager.

The company is featuring an advanced model all-white automatic electric range in five weeks' of sales activity, using the slogan, "What Mother Really Wants for Christmas," as a keynote of the campaign. The range is equipped with many extras, such as, kitchen utility clock, salt and pepper shaker, heat control, utility drawer, smokeless broiler pan, all-white enamel finish to match the range, and a three-cup electric percolator.

These special electric ranges are now on display at the company's store, where the public is invited to come in and see them.

FIFTY YEARS A McKINNEY CITIZEN

J. A. Neel came to McKinney fifty years ago on Wednesday. He is a native of Illinois. He is now 73 years of age, for 53 years having been engaged in the painting, papering contracting business. He is a quiet, unassuming gentleman, always attending to his own affairs, always letting other peoples' alone. He is highly respected, being well-liked.

LOCAL WOODMEN MEMBERSHIP CAMPAIGN ON

CAPT. QUINCY BRIDGE'S TEAM IS CHAMPION OF ENTIRE STATE

Magnolia camp No. 431, Woodmen of the World of this city, is in the midst of an energetic membership campaign that is going fine and already getting results.

John B. McKinney, the popular consul commander for a number of years past, is leading this big McKinney fraternity in an effort to expand its membership and, thereby its influence and benefits. Managers J. W. Tinsley, J. L. Hitchcock and Quincy Bridges are co-operating with him and the rest of the membership in gathering in new applications and in initiating new members.

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Monday Night's Meeting.

At Monday night's meeting, Dec. 10, three were initiated into the order and eleven more new applications were filed.

Plans are on foot for the crack McKinney Woodmen team to put on a complete initiatory at next Monday night's meeting, Dec. 17. The uniform team and officers of Magnolia camp have been champions of the state since 1914. Capt. Quincy Bridges has built up and trained a team that is invincible.

Every member of Magnolia camp, was well as members of other camps over the country, should be on hand Monday night, Dec. 17, to witness Capt. Bridges and his state championship team in action in putting on the complete initiatory work of Woodcraft.

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Prizes Offered.

Prizes have been hung up to be competed for by several teams, who are diligently working for new applications for membership. The Woodmen of the World is one of the most popular fraternal organizations in the United States. It is doing a great work in a beneficiary way for its members. One of its benefits is its insurance feature that enables members to protect their families by insurance on their lives at a minimum rate of cost.

Consul Commander John B. McKinney urges you to attend next Monday night and to see McKinney's famous champion Woodmen team in action in initiatory work.

FARMERSVILLE TEAM TO MEET GILMER IN BI-DISTRICT GAME

Farmersville High school Farmers, bi-district champions of Districts 5 and 6, and Gilmer High school, bi-district champions of Districts 7 and 16, will play for the Class B. Regional championship of East Texas at Farmersville on Friday, Dec. 14, at 2 p. m. This will be the best Class B. football game seen in the state this season, and great interest is being manifested in the contest. It will be witnessed by one of the largest crowds ever witnessing a Class B. game in Texas. Gilmer is preparing to bring a large crowd of fans to Farmersville for the game.

Farmersville has just won its second successive bi-district championship, defeating Diamond Hill of Fort Worth. The Farmers have lost only one game in the past three seasons. Gilmer has also won its second bi-district championship, having defeated the strongest Class B. teams in East Texas this season.

Charlie Wysong is able to be out after a ten days' illness of influenza.

D. H. M'DANIEL IS INSTANTLY KILLED IN WRECK

RUN OVER BY BOX CAR IN SWITCHING YARDS

Dallas, Tex., Dec. 12.—D. H. McDaniel, 37 years old patrolman in the special agent's department of the Houston & Texas Central Railroad, was instantly killed at 3:50 o'clock Wednesday morning when crushed under the first of a string of box cars in Miller's yards five miles south of Dallas.

McDaniel was believed to have been standing between Tracks 2 and 3 after stepping back to allow an extra train west to pass and was struck by a tank car being pushed by a switch engine.

A brakeman riding on the step of a car farther down the string was reported to have seen McDaniel just as he was struck by the tank car on the end.

McDaniel's head was practically severed from his body, and his left arm almost cut off, a few inches of flesh being all that held each to the torso after the accident.

An ambulance from the Brewer Undertaking Company went to the scene of the accident, but McDaniel was dead when it reached him.

The body is being held at the Brewer Funeral Home pending arrangements by relatives on their way to Dallas from Eastland county.

McDaniel's wife was reported to have died six years ago. He is said to have a son 11 years old.

A. J. BRASWELL'S DEATH OCCURED AT SHERMAN

FORMERLY LIVED AT ALTOGA — HAS RELATIVES LIVING HERE

A. J. Braswell, 77, died at 8 o'clock Friday night at the home of his son, H. G. Braswell, 901 South Throckmorton street.

He is survived by his widow, Mrs. Hattie Braswell, and five sons and two daughters. The latter are W. R. Braswell of Gordonville, J. S. Braswell of Southmayd, J. O. Braswell of Southmayd, H. G. Braswell of Sherman, Mrs. Mattie Dunn of Dallas and Mrs. Cloah Meek of McComb. He is also survived by one brother, J. E. Braswell of Blue Ridge and one sister, Mrs. J. H. Davis of Westminster, and by thirty-four grandchildren and twenty great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were to be held at the First Baptist church in Southmayd at 2:30 Saturday afternoon, conducted by the Rev. J. P. McBeth of Gunter, pastor of the church at Southmayd. Burial was in the Friendship cemetery.

Mr. Braswell was born in Middle Tennessee Oct. 31, 1851. He moved with his family to Collin county, Texas, more than 40 years ago, and to Grayson county near Southmayd in 1902. He had lived with his family near Southmayd during the remainder of his life, and was engaged in farming. He was a member of the Baptist church.—Sherman Democrat.

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Lived at Altoga.

When A. J. Braswell moved to Collin county more than forty years ago, he settled and lived for a number of years in the Altoga community until his removal to Grayson county. He was a first cousin of Lee Braswell, a veteran farmer of near Melissa, and of W. S. Braswell, a respected old McKinney citizen. He was also a relative of W. L. Braswell, a prominent McKinney contractor. Many other relatives and old friends live in this county, who regret to hear of his passing.

G. B. Yates, well known citizen, who has been running a small confectionery and news stand on West Virginia street, is critically ill at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Dean McCowan, 328 South Kentucky street.

Bessie Catherine, little 10-month-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Aiken, who has been quite ill with influenza for the past week, is better.

Stolen Jewelry From Tidwell Store Recovered

Sheriff Bill Kerby and Deputy Sheriff Jim Hollandworth early this (Wednesday) morning recovered a quantity of merchandise that had been taken in the robbery of B. Tidwell's Jewelry store about 7 o'clock, Tuesday evening, Dec. 4, in this city, which crime for boldness of execution, created quite a sensation in our city and throughout the county at the time of its occurrence.

R. A. LeRouax was arrested shortly after the burglary, charged with the crime. But he was soon transferred to the hospital for treatment and observation. On last evening, Mr. LeRouax's mental condition seemed to clear up somewhat, and he sent word to Sheriff Kerby that he believed he could help locate and recover the stolen property, jewelry, watches, etc. He first said that the stolen articles were north of town and then later he thought south of town.

He accompanied the officers in an unsuccessful search Tuesday evening. Returning south of town again this (Wednesday) morning with the officers, Sheriff Kerby found the stolen jewelry, enclosed in a sack almost wholly submerged in the water of the bar-pit on the west side of the McKinney-Dallas pike, just north of Wilson creek bridge, south of town, near Pecan Grove cemetery. The sheriff has the property in custody pending the return to the city of Mr. Tidwell, who is out of town on a business mission.

Among the articles recovered are wrist watches, other watches, desk clocks, pearls, purses, pencils, silver forks and knives, pocketknives, hand mirrors, and other items usually found in a jewelry stock.

Mr. LeRouax is also the owner of a McKinney Jewelry store, who has lived here for several years. His friends claim that he is not mentally responsible for his strange actions recently, and during and after the burglary of the Tidwell store.

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Reconditioned and refinished with new tires. Original cost $1850.00. You can drive this out by bringing in $165.00 cash or your old car is equivalent and balance easy terms. Ownership of this car will give you real prestige.

MOON 4 DOOR SEDAN

If you are in search of a car for real durability and hard use see this one. Has the Long Life Continental engine that is justly entitled to its great reputation. Bring in $165.00 down payment and drive this out. We will arrange terms on balance.

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This splendid little sedan justly enjoying the reputation for being long lived is in perfect condition. New tires and a real gift at this price. $285.00 down will drive this out. Balance easy terms.

PAIGE 2 DOOR SEDAN

Here is a car for durability and hard use. Has the good Continental engine that we all know so well. $165.00 down payment or your old car if worth like amount. Easy terms arranged on balance.

WILLYS KNIGHT SEDAN

An ideal family car. Powered with the good Knight engine—the one that improves with use. You can buy this one at a real bargain. $200.00 cash down will handle. Balance easy payments.

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THINK OF IT! A $3795.00 car at the price of a new cheap one. Surely real prestige for the family at a give away price. This car real quality merchandise. You can drive this out by bringing in $455.00 down payment and easy terms on balance to responsible party.

AUBURN DALLAS COMPANY
2125 Main Street, Dallas

Lost

LOST—A litle rat-terrier dog, white with some brown about his ears, bobtailed, answers to name of "Hardie." Brown around left ear. Highly prized as he was the constant companion of a eighty-three year old shut-in, an old Confederate soldier. Turn the dog loose in Anna and he will come home. J. C. BILLINGSLEY, Anna, Texas.

LOST—Between Boyd High school and Thompson's home west of the city, ladies' large, tan leather purse, size about 8x10 inches, with sundry contents, including saving bank book. $5 reward for return to MRS. J. B. CROCKETT, phone 957 or 176.

For Sale

FOR SALE—House and lot, 211 Christian street. Lot 73x145. Seven-room house, practicaly new. J. M. MAYNER, McKinney. (Owner.)

FOR SALE—Three rent houses in Lewisville addition, only $600. Will pay 25 per cent on investment. JOHN D. MORROW.

Wanted

WANTED—A used stalk-cutter, in good condition. R. E. LITTLEJOHN, Route 6, McKinney.

WANTED—To pay cash for your second-hand furniture. If you have it for sale, Call H. B. (Boone) Johnson. Phone 238, 205 East Va. St.

Business Service

MATTRESSES called for, renovated and delivered same day. McTEE MATTRESS COMPANY, phone 47.

REFINISHING, repairing and upholstering furniture. All work guaranteed. MORTON'S SECONDHAND STORE. West Louisiana street. Phone 228.

HATCHING SEASON OPENS—We start our big incubators again Dec. 15. Will do the usual custom hatching and custom brooding. Chicks for sale after Jan. 8. We buy good hatching eggs. Book your orders early. GOLDEN GLOW HATCHERY, McKinney, Texas.

COL. GEORGE APPLE, general auctioneer at your service for any kind city, farm or livestock sale. Phones 9023 or 346.

EDD WESTER SUBURBAN GROCERY—N. College and W. Erwin Staple and Fancy Groceries, Nuts Candies and Fruits. Trade with me and save money. Phone 520. We deliver.

Houses for Rent

FOR RENT—Nice rural house with barn, garage, henhouse and garden, four miles south of the city on the Frisco pike. The house and outbuildings must be taken care of. If you want such a place see O. R. JOSSERAND or TOM BOLIN. Allen phone.

FOR RENT—My 25-acre chicken ranch and dairy farm, just out of town, on Woodlawn pike; 4-room house (east front), smokehouse, garage, hen house, sheds, dairy barn, storm cellar, everlasting water; farm fenced and cross-fenced. Phone 99 or see me at my barber shop. GENE MARTIN, McKinney, Texas.

Miscellaneous

WE have some buyers for good black land, well located. Write us describing land and indebtedness. E. P. HARBIN, Waxahachie, Texas.

Altoga

Olan Johnson of Dallas spent the week-end with home folks.

Mrs. Gist and daughters of McKinney were week-end guests at the home of J. K. Moreland.

Miss Helen Dunn, returned Friday from West Texas, where she visited relatives at Ralls, Petersburg and Amarillo.

We missed our faithful teacher, Miss Maude Johnson from her class of beginners last Sunday morning. She took sick after services Saturday night. Hope she is able to be with us Sunday.

Those suffering from influenza are Mrs. J. T. Mantooth and daughter, little Miss Johnnie Marie; Mr. and Mrs. Will Moreland and sons Dwight and Bruce; Mrs. Leo. Moreland, and son; Ray Stevenson, Milton Terrell, and Hope and Nell Lacy and Rachel Moreland and others.

Our pastor, Rev. W. O. Majors of Greenville preached Saturday night and Sunday morning, bringing a very earnest message at each service. Bro. Nat Farley, wife and Miss Bertice of Greenville attended services here Sunday and Bro. Nat preached a fine sermon at th evening hour. We are always glad to have them come home.

Mrs. J. B. Vermillion and niece, Miss Hazel Watkins were entertained with a birthday dinner at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Vermillion. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. John Watkins and children; Mr. and Mrs. Albert Lawson and children; Mr. and Mrs. Henry Vermillion and son, Mr. and Mrs. Elbert Evans and children; Mr. and Mrs. Lee Stiff; Mrs. Belle Mantooth and Bro. Nat Farley, wife and Bernice of Greenville.

Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Vermillion were their children, Mrs. Willie Vermillion, who arrived Thursday from Canyon, where she has been in school the past year. She now holds a permanent certificate. She and her husband are moving to Houston.

Mr. and Mrs. Odus Stiff and son, Cuynn who spent the past two months at Abilene came home Friday. Oren Vermillion and daughter, Miss Evelyn Avo, and sister, Miss Leta Vermillion of Abilene, Miss Leta has been attending school in Abilene since September. Mr. and Mrs. Oren Vermillion are leaving Monday for Florida. Another daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Homer Cate and children, Dorris Nell, Dorothy Fay, and Charles Dossy, who live here were present, another daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Wilson of Dallas came up Sunday night. Others present were Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Walker and Ray; Mrs. W. T. Dunn and Misses Helen and Willard Dorothy; Truett and Billie Jewell Lee Walker and Miss Dea Vance of Dallas; Mrs Jess Bates, of Princeton and Mr. and Mrs. Clint Farley, another daughter, Miss Bonnie Vermillion, who is teaching school at Parker.

Real Estate Transfers

Bailey, W. O. and wife to Fannie Mae Swindall, $1,000; Lots in Murphy.

Norman, Thomas C. and wife to Leonard National, $3,900; 90 acres out of Benjamin Clark Survey.

Norman Artena to Leonard Nat'l., $3,900; 90 acres out of B. Clark survey.

Akin, J. O. and wife to A. H. Eubanks, $10,500; 75 acres out of Mark L. Roberts survey.

Harris, P. R. by Receiver to Emma Holcomb, $1,000; 159 2-3 acres out of John West et al survey.

McCormick, T. J. and wife to H. R. Ross, $5,775; 57 3-4 acres out of Aron West survey.

Jetton, G. G. to Franklin School District, $150; 3-4 acres out of J. D. Franklin survey.

Luscomb, D. F. by Trustee to G. T. Worten and wife $2,562; 25.62 acres out of G. Stark survey.

Wysong, W. S. and wife to Floyd Eddleman, $420; Lot in McKinney.

Vernon, W. B. and wife to J. W. H. Rodgers, $2,500; 60 acres out of J. Lewright survey.

Wallace, L. P. et al to W. J. Staten, $75; 2 acres out of M. P. Horton survey.

Hartman, J. T. et al to O. E. Carlisle, $xxx.xx; 115 acres out of R. P. Murphy survey.

Lewis, Edwin and wife to Edna Brown, Love and affection; 6.05 acres out of T. H. Searcy survey.

Chaddick, Hugh and wife to J. C. Gallop, $8,000; 128.615 acres out of Thos. Estes et al survey.

Chandler, J. T. and wife to H. Grady Chandler, $1,500; 25 acres out of W. H. Hunt et al survey.

Bomar, P. H. and wife to D. L. Phillips, $11,797; 100.565 acres out of T. A. Rhodes survey.

Parr, W. M. and wife to R. S. Parr, $4,000 40 acres out of James Lovelady survey.

Taylor, Clarence A. and wife to G. L. Lingwiler, trustee, $4,000; Lot in McKinney.

Carter, Charles and wife to F. C. Davis, $2,790; 25.49 acres out of Norris Austin survey.

Aldridge, C. C. to Ed Prince, $255; Lot in Plano.

Morrow, J. D. and wife to R. E. Morrow, $12,000; 99.7 acres out of T. D. James et al survey.

Seeger Ed and wife to Newton J. Burkett et all $xx.xx; Lot in McKinney.

Seeger, Ed and wife to Leo Spillman, $xxx.xx; Lot in McKinney.

Seeger, Ed and wife to Newton S. Burkett et al $xxx.xx; Lot in McKinney.

McMillian, W. M. and wife to W. D. Craft, $834.50; 16.69 acres out of Wm. Johnson survey.

Comegys, C. G. and wife to J. L. Gossett, $1,500; Lot in McKinney.

Wilson, J. J. and wife to R. O. Wilson, $4,5??; 445 1-3 acres out of Carter T. Clift survey.

BRICK COTTAGE FOR FARM.

Six- room brick veneer cottage, desirably situated in Oak Cliff, $6,250, sell or trade for small farm. See R. L. HIGHT, phone 902.

J. E. FOSTER BACK FROM NEW MEXICO

Joe E. Foster has just returned from a business trip to Clayton, New Mexico, near which place he owns 960 acres of land.

In returning home his train on the Fort Worth & Denver railroad was running closely behind one of the trains that was wrecked Sunday morning, two miles south of Dalhart in a head-on collision between a fast passenger train and a through freight, in which engineers on both trains were killed, and one of the firemen was also fatally injured, and since died. Mr. Foster saw the wreckage which was a terrible accident.

Mr. Foster left McKinney some days ago with his son, Emory Foster, in their truck with a load of Bois d'Arc posts, which they took to Mr. Foster's farm, located in one mile of Lockney, Floyd county, where Mr. and Mrs. Foster expect to move some time between now and the first of the new year to make their future home.

They recently sold their old home farm in the Bloomdale community, six miles northwest of McKinney.

From Lubbock Mr. Foster accompanied C. E. Lane in the latter's auto to Clayton, N. M., but, as stated above, returned to Fort Worth by railway and narrowly missed being in the fatal wreck, as referred to above.

We regret to see Mr. and Mrs. Foster sell out and move away from our county here, where both of them were reared, and have numerous relatives and good friends living. But we wish them well in their new West Texas home.

C. J. SMITH NOW SHOWING NEW WHIPPETS

C. J. Smith, the well-known McKinney automobile man, is a liberal user of advertising space in The Daily Courier-Gazette and Weekly Democrat-Gazette, announcing the new Superior Whippet, now on display at his South Tennessee street location.

"It has greater beauty and larger bodies than ever before," says Mr. Smith, who is most enthusiastic over the new model now on the market.

A feature is the "finger-tip control," one of the most notable advances in driving convenience since the self-starter. What "finger-tip control" means is this: A single button, conveniently located in the center of the steering wheel, controls all functions of starting the motor, operating the lights and sounding the horn, doing away with all troublesome foot fumbling for the starting button. It also avoids changing from the comfortable driving position to reach a light switch on the dast.

"See the Superior Whippet today," advises Mr. Smith. "An inspection and a demonstration will reveal to you an entirely new standard of dollar-for-dollar value in low-priced automobiles.

The price of the Whippet four coach is only $535 and of the Whippet six coach $695.

Keep up with the fine points of this new car through Mr. Smith's advertisements in these papers.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH RECEIVES THANKS FOR SUPPLIES

For a number of years the Baptist church of Collin county have been sending Buckner Orphan's home, Dallas, a Thanksgiving offering by loading a car of good foodstuff and other merchandise, which is in addition to the regular cash and merchandise offerings of the individual churches. Mr. J. E. Gibson, who had charge of the offering again this year, reports the shipment this year the largest and best heretofore made. The value of which amounted to $1,503.35. The Texas Electric Railway company handled the shipment to Dallas free of charge, and the trucks from the home unloaded the same, thereby eliminating all expense in connection with the offering.

Dr. Hal F. Buckner, one of the co-managers of the home, acknowledges receipt of the shipment in the following letter:

"Mr. J. E. Gibson, McKinney, Texas.

"Dear Brother Gibson:

"The Collin county car came and was unloaded. I saw quite a lot of the contents as it was store in our commissary, and was very much delighted both with the quality and quantity.

"I hope you will take every opportunity you have to convey our thanks to the friends scattered throughout your county. Your churches have put over a splendid thing for our children.

"Fraternally,

"HAL F. BUCKNER."

Eric Nelson who has been confined to his bed for the past several days is able to be up.

Church Street Residence Bargain.

Good 5-room residence with modern conveniences and garage, large east front lot, North Church, paved street, only $1,750. See R. L. HIGHT, phone 902.

BAPTISTS ASKED TO PUT CHRIST ON XMAS LIST

Baptists throughout the South, nearly 4,000,000 in number, are being asked by the Southern Baptist convention to put Christ on their Christmas list this year and thus provide a $2,000,000 cash offering to be applied on the reduction of the indebtedness of the Home and Foreign Mission boards and the other agencies and institutions fostered by the convention. This extra Christmas gift is being sought over and above the regular contribution of the churches, and the appeal is made that the members deny themselves some conveniences this year in order that they may have the funds with which to participate generously in this offering.

A Baptist layman in one state has agreed to contribute $100,000 to this effort in the event the Baptists throughout the South respond generously to this appeal, while another layman in another state has made an unconditional gift of $50,000. Everywhere the men and women of means are being asked to lead off with large gifts, while all other members of the churches are being asked to respond in proportion to their ability.

Funds gathered from the Christmas Thank offering will be divided among the causes of the Southern Baptist convention on the following basis:

Foreign missions, 50 per cent; Home missions, 22½ per cent; Relief and Annuity board, 9 per cent, Education board, 2 per cent; Southern Baptist Theological seminary, 5 per cent; Southwestern seminary, 4½ per cent; Baptist Bible institute, 3½ per cent; New Orleans hospital, 2 per cent; W. M. U. Training school, 1 per cent; American Baptist Theological seminary, ½ per cent; total, 100 per cent.

At the request of Dr. George W. Truett of Dallas, president of the Southern Baptist convention, Dr. L. R. Scarborough of Fort Worth, chairman of the committee of seven promoting the offering, will speak in its behalf over Station KWKH at Shreveport next Sunday night, Dec. 16, at 9 o'clock, Central Standard time, immediately following the close of the evening preaching service. It is understood many local churches will install loud speakers and listen in on this message.

J. C. Galloy, Route 3, Plano, but lives near Hebron in the edge of Denton county, was in McKinney recently attending the Workers' conference of the County Baptist association. While in McKinney he visited our office to enroll for the Weekly Democrat-Gazette for a year in advance. He recently purchased a 150-acre farm near Parker.

WHEAT SOWING RETARDED BIG RAIN AND FREEZE

Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Dysart, a worthy farm couple living near Melissa, are expecting a visit during the holidays from their son, J. Lester Dysart and wife, who live at Wildorado, thirty-five miles west of Amarillo. Mr. Dysart states that his son has written him that he is not yet done sowing wheat on account of frozen ground, rains and snow that have fallen lately up on the Panhalndle part of our state.

Mrs. Jack Warden has been on the sick list the past several days.

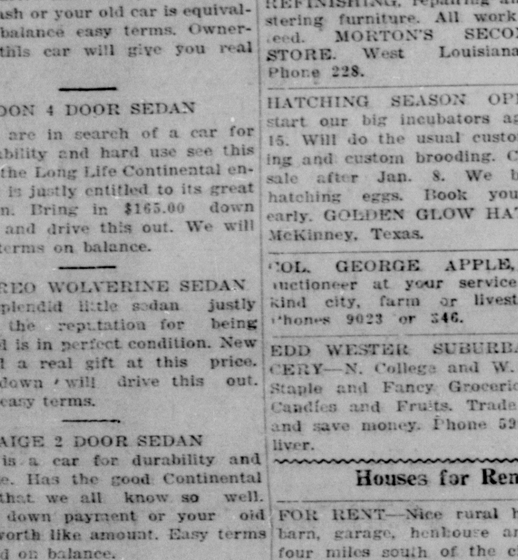
BOX SUPPER AT COTTONWOOD

There will be a box supper at Cottonwood school house Friday night, Dec. 14. Everybody invited.

R. L. Arnspiger, Route 4, Anna, enrolls for the Democrat-Gazette for the year 1929. We welcome him. He lives near the North Collin-Grayson line, not far from Van Alstyne. He is one of North Collin's most excellent citizens.

F. E. Welmaker, of the Collin County Mill & Elevator company, is up again following a several days' illness. Mrs. Welmaker, we are sorry to learn, is ill. Her friends are hopeful that she will soon be on the road to recovery. Their two attractive little sons, Felix Jr. and Forest Nolan, have been ill; but are now well again.

Charlie McTee has returned from Waco, where he attended the Masonic convention.

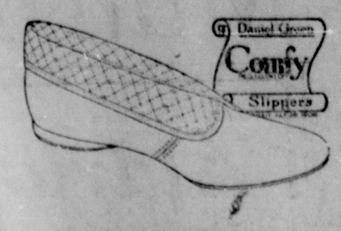


A MERRY CHRISTMAS TO ALL

Why not do your Christmas Shopping here where you will save money.

R. M. Brownlee

East La. St. Across from J. P. Dowell's McKinney



Mother, Dad, Sister, and Brother. Nothing is appreciated more than a new pair of shoes.

HOUSE SHOES FOR ALL

Hosiery in individual gift boxes.

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McKinney, Texas

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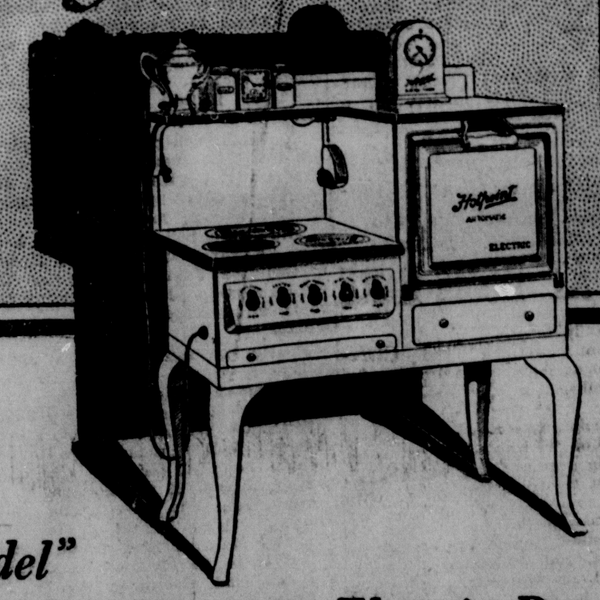


The "1929 Model" Hotpoint Automatic Electric Range

Automatic Heat Control and Thermometer

Smokeless Broiler Pan

Salt and Pepper Shakers White Enamel Clock

Utility Drawer

2-Cup Hotpoint Electric Percolator

Consider the many hours Mother spends in the kitchen. Compare them with the hours spent in other parts of the home. Then you will fully realize why Mother wants an electric range this Christmas.

Electric cookery gives to Mother the "world's best cook," representing the latest advancement in culinary art. The electric range is fast becoming a necessary standard equipment. It assures delicious meals regularly, demanding less of Mother's time to prepare them. It makes her kitchen a spotless workshop, a genuine delight.

Our special Christmas offer brings this beautiful all-white Hot-Point Automatic Electric Range within reach of every family. And during this special offer we are giving with each range such deluxe equipment as, salt and pepper, smokeless broiler pan, kitchen clock, utility drawer and three-cup electric percolator.

Only a small down payment is required—balance on easy terms. Nothing would please Mother so much this Christmas as this "wonder gift." Place your order today for Christmas delivery.

Texas Power & Light Company

"Electricity is Your Servant" Phone 77

LEGION SHOW FAST TAKING SHAPE FOR OPENING NIGHT

According to T. W. (Turn) Franklin, commander of the Jimmie Geigas post of the American legion, and Harry Blanchette, director for the Chris Ming Production company, who are staging the show here this year, yesterday's rehearsals were the best that they have had so far.

The boys are going to issue a big minstrel paper before the show, containing minstrel news, and many other features.

The principal cast is fast taking shape, and among those principal parts are: Miss Dorothy Mouzon, Mrs. Peyton Adams, Turn Franklin, Jimmie Belden, Bob Ed Hamilton, Miss Connie Sellers, Mrs. Howard Butler, Miss Margaret Chapman, Don W. Bagwill, Tully R. Lucas, and others, who will be mentioned tomorrow.

The dates for this minstrel show, which, from all appearances, will be one of the best ever staged in the city, will be Monday and Tuesday nights, December 17 and 18.

RUSK COUNTY BOY WINS SIGNAL HONOR

Longview, Texas, Dec. 7.—Champion forestry club boy of Texas for 1928 is the designation won by Charles R. Jameson of Tatum, Rusk county, son of the Rev. Hubert S. Jameson, founder of the Jameson Farmers' Short course, which has done notable work in the advancement of agriculture in Rusk and neighboring counties. As a consequence of his being named champion forestry club boy, Charles, who is 14 years old, won a free trip to the National Club congress at Chicago, during the early part of December, offered by the East Texas Chamber of Commerce.

Forestry clubs are functioning in six East Texas counties, and have a total membership of fifty-six. Work of the clubs is directed by the Extension service of A. & M. college and the Texas Forest service, and has the personal supervision of C. B. Webster, farm forester. Records of the high-ranking club members were gone over and the award made by a committee composed of L. D. Gilbert, Texarkana, chairman of the forestry committee of the East Texas Chamber of Commerce; Howard Hampton, Longview, information service director of the same organization, and Mr. Webster, the farm forester, who also had made a personal inspection of the most promising of the forestry club projects.

Charles R. Jameson's project is especially commendable, in the opinion of Mr. Webster, in that he had a very poor acre with which to work, yet his results were good. Pine was growing on only about half of the acre, approximately one-fourth was covered with persimmon trees, which, however, were not quite large enough to be merchantable, and the remaining fourth of the plot was practically barren of trees. There was a negligible stand of sweet gum.

This was Charles' second year in forestry club work. His work this year consisted of preparing and caring for an acre of forest land; and, he prepared, planted and cared for a small forest nursery, and prepared a forestry club exhibit consisting of mounted specimens of leaves of various forest trees, which was exhibited at the Rusk County fair.

Work on the club acre included building of fire-lines and other fire-protection practices, measure for protection of the trees from insects and diseases, making such cuttings as were necessary for the improvement of the stand, proper utilization of trees cut, and collection of forest tree seed for sale and planting. In addition, he wrote a report of the work, kept a diary and record of the time spent on his project and of the value of products taken off the acre plot.

According to his record book, the total cost of his work on the acre, including gthe construction of fire-lines, cutting of trees, and working the fallen trees into cord-wood, tomato stakes and other material, with time figured at thirty cents an hour, was $8.62, while he value of products from his acre, chiefly firewood, amounted to $11.20, giving him a credit of $2.58. The area was pastured throughout the yearby stock and hogs, and the value of the pasturage, figured at ten cents a month, gives Charles an additional $1.20 of income from his acre. The cost of pine seed, planting and care of his nursery amounted to $1.52. The value of trees in the nursery is just about equal for planting on his club acre, considerable of which is at present barren of trees.

PROF. MOSELEY TAUGHT H. H. NEILSON'S CLASS

Prof. J. W. Moseley taught H. H. Neilson's big class of young men of the First Methodist Sunday school Sunday in the absence of their regular teacher, who with his wife and two little children were visiting his father, Dr. S. B. Neilson at the latter's home at Ladonia.

Miss Dorothy McElwain, employe of the Mrs. W. E. Marshall Millinery store, is ill with influenza.

DAIRY LAWS TO BE ADVOCATED

Dallas, Texas, Dec. 7.—First steps to provide Texas with adequate dairy laws, with licensed inspectors to enforce them, were taken Wednesday in the organization of the Texas Milk Distributors' association. About seventy-five members, attending the joint convention of the Southern Texas, Oklahoma and Arkansas associations of ice cream manufacturers, were enrolled at the initial meeting.

Officers elected are K. V. Lipscomb, Dallas, president; M. C. Oldham, Houston, vice president; H. F. Dieterich, El Paso, secretary-treasurer. Dr. C. M. Rosser, representing the State Board of Health, and Dr. H. A. Harding, Detroit, one of the foremost dairy scientists of the United States, addressed the meeting.

BLUE RIDGE CITIZEN REGISTERED JERSEY BREEDER

G. W. McCarley, who lives on his farm about a mile east of Blue Ridge, was in McKinney Friday fixing up papers for the sale of one of his good registered Jersey milch cows. He has several other head on hand. Mr. McCarley formerly lived in McKinney, and ran a dairy here. He also owns a farm in the north part of the county, near Anna.

TEXAS COTTONSEED CRUSHERS' ASSOCIATION GIVE SCHOLARSHIPS

College Station, Texas.—Two graduate fellowships in the study of cottonseed oil of $600 each have been established at the A. & M. college of Texas by the Texas Cotton Seed Crushers' association, Dr. C. C. Hedges, was advised of such action by the executive committee of the association in communication from George H. Bennett, secretary-treasurer, of Dallas. The scholarships are for the encouragement of study and research in cotton seed products at A. & M.

Maxwell Perkins of Dallas was a visitor in the city Thursday.

DALLAS MAN MAKING EAST TEXAS SURVEY

Longview, Texas.An agricultural survey of the sixty-six counties served by the East Texas Chamber of Commerce, to specifically ascertain the potentialities of the area for the establishment of agricultural-extractive industries, is being made under contract for the regional commercial organization by Burt C. Blanton, consulting industrial engineer of Dallas. This announcement was made at East Texas Chamber of Commerce headquarters by Guy A. Blount of Nacogdoches, chairman of the agricultural committee.

The project has been under way for several months under the personal supervision of the consulting engineer, who, with a staff of assistants, is now compiling the final report to be delivered to the regional commercial organization early in 192.. The East Texas area is being given scientific stud yand analysis as to the diversification and extent of agricultural production, the products adaptable and available in sufficient quantity to be utilized in specific types of new industries, the area's manufacturing facities, and many other component factors in relation to industry, such as labor, power, fuels, transportation and markets.

The survey will treat all essential factors in relation to the establishment in the area of canning plants, cheese factories, milk products plants, cottonseed oil refineries, cotton mills, dehydrating or drying plants, soap factories and similar enterprises, all of which come under the classification of agricultural-extractive industries. Following completion of the survey, the East Texas Chamber of Commerce will inaugurate an intensive program, extending over a period of years, for the establishment and development of such industries througnout the area.

R. F. Finley was a visitor in Huntsville today.

W. T. Bolton of Denton was a visitor in the city ysterday.

W. R. SCOTT MAKES BIG COTTON CROP IN HALL COUNTY

J. E. Scott and wife are at home from a three week's visit to their son, W. R. Scott, and family at Plaska, Hall county, upon the Panhandle. W. R. Scott was reared near McKinney but has been farming in Hall county for the last three or four years. He has already sold ninety-eight bales of cotton this fall from his 200-acre crop and expects to pull and sell a number of loads of bolls yet, besides making more than a hundred tons of feedstuff.

FAMILY ILLNESS OF FORMER COLLIN MAN

Mrs. Bland Dysart of Dallas, has been quite ill for some days, and her little 8-year-old son, Powell, has also been suffering with scarlet fever for several weeks, but is now better. Mrs. Dysart is a daughter-in-law of Mr. and Mrs. W. W. C. Dysart, a well-known farm couple living near Melissa in this county.

RAINS TO HELP TEXAS CROPS

Abilene, Texas, Dec. 11.—Good winter feed crops and grain yield were in prospect over West Texas as a result of a general rain and a rising temperature after freezing weather over the week-end, according to reports received Monday. Precipitation was reported from forty-two counties, extending from Shamrock on the north to Junction on the south, east to Cisco, southwest to McCamey and west to Big Spring. In the greater part of this area rain fell Sunday night and all day Monday.

The heaviest rainfall was reported from Junction, Mason, Menard and Abilene. Many farmers were caught with a quantity of unpicked cotton in their fields.

Obe McCollum was a visitor in Dallas Friday.

Kenneth Cooper, little son of Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Cooper, has been ill for several days.

Los Angeles to Take Steps to Halt Influenza

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 7.—Health authorities of Los Angeles are considering adoption of strict measures to combat the wave of influenza that has taken 17 lives this week.

Forty-two persons have died from the disease since Nov. 1. Dr. George Parish, reports 2,132 persons in the city limits suffering from influenza.

Pasadena schools have been closed because of the epidemic as have schools of Monrovia, Garden Grove, La Habra, Fullerton and Placentia.

In Hollywood, more than a dozen screen celebrities are reported ill The epidemic is now at its most serious stage, and probably will pass within a week, health authorities said.

People should take good care of themselves and not become panicky. It will soon pass.

STOCK VALUES LOSE BILLIONS

New York, Dec. 8.—For the second successive day the stock market Friday went through the throes of a major reaction, which carried scores of issues down $5 to $25 a share.

In two days, paper profits of thousands of large and small speculators have been wiped out and the aggregate quoted values of all listed securities reduced by billions of dollars. The market value of General Motors common stock alone has dropped more than $300,000,000 in two days, while United States Steel common, Anaconda Copper, Radio corporation, Montgomery Ward, and many other popular industrials and rails have depreciated $25,000,000 to $100,000,000 in value.

H. C. Pritchard of Dorchester, Texas, is visiting his brother, Homer Pritchard, of this city.

J. W. Green, Route 3, Blue Ridge, renews for the Weekly Democrat-J. W. McTee's farm, and is a most worthy neighbor, friend and citizen.

HOMER DUNCAN DIES FROM AUTO WRECK INJURIES

Homer Noland Duncan, 24 years old, died at his home at Anna, Monday morning, December 10, from injuries received in an automobile accident which happened Sunday night, two miles north of Blue Ridge. He was the son of Mr. and Mrs. E. V. Duncan of Anna, and is survived by his father and mother, three brothers, Burt, Jessie and Willie Duncan, and one sister, Ruby, all of Anna. His body was taken overland to Ravia, Okla., where at 2:30 o'clock this afternoon services were conducted. Massie & Sons Funeral home of this city were in charge of funeral arrangements.

Miss Bessie Smith, who had a severe attack of influenza at her home on South Tennessee street, is somewhat improved Tuesday.

M'KINNEY BOY GETS SECOND SCHOOL LETTER

Pittsburg, Kan.—Carlos Pruett of McKinney has been awarded his second letter in football at Kansas State Teachers' college of Pittsburg where he played guard. Pruett expects to be a member of th squad nx sason.

Twenty-two members of the 1928 squad were awarded letters by the college athletic council. As only four of this group will be lost by graduation, eighteen well-trained men should be available for the beginning of the 1929 season. The four retiring from the sport are Everett Nicholson, Blackwell, Okla.; Stanley Schumucker, Senecca; Bryon Crowell, Iola.; and Capt. Kenneth Pettit, Lamar, Colo.

The squad will be the guests of the athletic association at an informal banquet in the near future.

Mrs. J. W. McElwain and daughter, Miss Dorothy, and son, Jim, are all confined to their home on North Church street with influenza.

No! We Have Not MOVED!

This will correct any reports out that we have moved from McKinney. Why such things have been circulated about us, we cannot understand for we have never entertained the least thought of moving. The people here have certainly shown us much encouragement during the past seven years, we feel that we have gathered about us a large circle of staunch friends who appreciate our progressiveness and will believe in us. They will pull for us even stronger now, making the possibilities greater for us in the future than the past. For all of this we feel very greatful and assure you that we have no intentions of leaving McKinney, but will continue to serve this vicinity with our regular high class service. Devoting our every effort and personal attentions to the betterment of our equipment and service whenever possible.

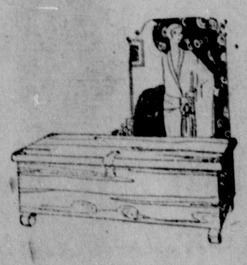
Please help us to correct this false rumor by telling your friends that it is a mistake about us moving from McKinney.

Respectfully,

HARRIS FUNERAL HOME
By Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Harris.

GIFT FURNITURE---A SURE "WINNER"

Just think how pleased you would be if some one anticipated your wishes and gave you a charming piece of furniture . . . a shining lamp . . . even a tiny table . . . how much pleasure such a gift would give . . . for how long a time. And then drop down here and make selections for your friends from rows and rows of pleasant suggestions . . . of furniture modern and charming . . . of reproductions replete with gracious beauty. You will find their prices moderate enough to fill a good part of your Christmas list.



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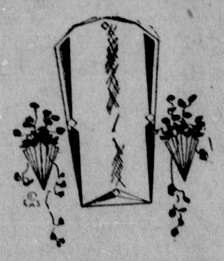
A CEDAR CHEST—We are showing a splendidly constructed and finished chest—built of genuine aromatic Tennessee Cedar, 40 in. size—
Priced **$13.75**
Others from **$10.95 to $87.50**

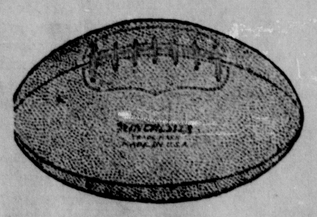
HARMONIOUS MIRRORS—
For the hall, the living room and plenty of places in the home a mirror fits to a nicety. We are showing some of the new patterns. Special prices at
$6.75, $8.75, $11.25



FURNITURE GIFT SUGGESTIONS—

Living Room Suites— Dining Room Suites—
End Tables— Easy Chair—
Rockers— Smoking Stand—
Day Beds— Library Table—
Foot Stools— Sewing Cabinet—
Magazine Racks— Occasional Table—

Young and Old Are Cordially Invited Here for Gifts of Service. We Are Showing a Wide Variety of Gifts in Home Needs, Furniture, Gift Novelties, Sporting Goods, Victrolas, and RCA Radios. You'll Find Our Large and Varied Showing Offers Many a Solution of Perplexing Gift Problems.



Foot Balls, Basket Balls, Base Balls, Boxing Gloves and the like are popular gifts for the younger generation.

Foot Balls priced ..... $1.00 upwards
Basket balls priced ..... $2.50 upwards
Boxing gloves, set of 4 priced—
$3.75, $3.95, $4.95, and $6.45
Base Ball Gloves, Mitts, Base Ball Bats.

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"THE QUALITY HOUSE"
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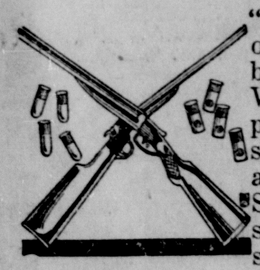

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Winchester Model 1906 .22 repeating rifle—shoots longs, shorts and long rifle cartridges, accurate and trustworhy **$20.25**
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Single Barrel Shot Gun of good quality at price of **$8.50**
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will be appreciated for years to come. Here's a true gift of utility. Any housewife will be glad to receive a gift of fine aluminum.

Roasters ..... **$1 to $5.95**
Percolators ..... **69c upwards**
Set of 3 pans **$1.50**
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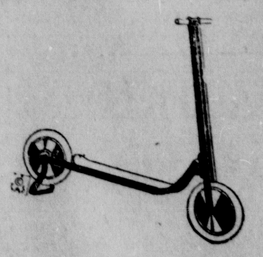
Large assortment of Stewers, Pans of all kinds, double boilers and the like.



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Scooters—good ones **$3.00, $4.00, $4.95, and $6.00**
Boy's Wagons—85c, to **$8.00**
Rubber Tired Velocipedes—a fine selection priced from
$3.15 to $11.35
Toy Autos, Fire Trucks, Pedal Cars, Circus Trucks Doll Carts

HARDWARE — Gifts of Utility Hardware

BLUE RIDGE, TEX. FARMER DISCOVERS WHAT HE HAD LOOKED FOR

HAD ALMOST GIVEN UP HOPE—ORGATONE ENDS ALL TROUBLES

"If there is a medicine as good as Orgatone I've never seen it, and I tried everything I knew of before I found Orgatone and got well," said J. J. Evans, Rural Route 1, Blue Ridge, Texas.

"Before I began taking Orgatone," continued Mr. Evans, "I had suffered so much that I was almost a nervous wreck and was beginning to think there was no kind of medicine that would ever stop my troubles. My digestion was bad and my food would lay on my stomach like a lump of lead, and gas would form and cause me to suffer terribly. I had a headache nearly all the time, and dizzy spells from gas and bloating would come on me and make me so sick I would have to stop work and rest before I came to myself. I was under the doctor's care for the last month, but his treatment was doing me no good, in fact, I got to the point where I couldn't walk at all could only sit up for a very little time at all.

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STIFF CHAPEL

Maud Johnson

Mr.and Mrs. Bennie Poe and children of McKinney visited Mrs. Lovelady recently.

Mr. and Mrs. L. D. Hendricks and children spent the week-end with relatives at Anna.

Alma Farley spent Friday night with his sister, Mrs. Woodie Herron of Chambersville.

Mrs. Jewel Terrell is spending a few days with Mrs. J. L. Mantooth of Altoga.

Mr. and Mrs. Arlon Farley and son, A. L., Mrs. Lena and Sug Williams of Melissa spent Thursday night with Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Farley.

Those on the sick list are Mrs. D. E. Green, J. T. Gerron and Miss Maude Johnson.

Mrs. C. W. Gerron of Wallace Chapel is visiting her son J. T. Gerron.

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Stiff, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Evans and children spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Vermillion of Altoga.

ROUTH

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Giles were visiting relatives in Van Alstyne Monday.

Mrs. L. J. Penny and sons, Lee and Winston of Whitewright were visiting relatives here Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Billy Press, accompanied by Charlie Adams, of Moreland were visiting Mr. and Mrs. Willie Adams and Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Press Sunday.

Mrs. Sallie and Lovie Gray and children spent Thursday with Mrs. Lessie Myrick of Barnett.

Miss Myrtle Littrell spent Sunday with Miss Irene and Lurla Wall.

Asalee and Doris Randies spent Sunday night with their sister, Mrs. Hardie Nitcholas.

Bill and Ben Gray, who are working in Dallas, spent the week-end with home folks.

Miss Clodie Press was the guest of Miss Inez Randles Sunday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Todd gave a party for the young folks Friday night. A nice, enjoyable time was reported by all.

Mr. and Mrs. Tilman Riley of Blue Ridge were visiting the latter's father Sunday, Mr. R. A. Press.

M. A. Gaither of Route 1, Blue Ridge, was a recent McKinney visitor. He dropped in to extend his Democrat-Gazette subscription for another year in advance. He greatly appreciates our poper because of the large amount of his home county local news published in it every week.

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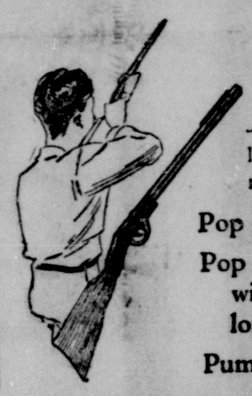

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DONNA

Berry Penny and family of Blue Ridge visited John Hendricks and family at this place Sunday.

Roy Jenkins spent the week-end with his father at McKinney.

There was a party at Jesse Todds Friday night. Everybody reported a good time.

Miss Lorene Voyles of Denton spent the week-end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Lyons.

Mrs. Myrtle Penny and sons, Lee and Winston, and their friends, Franklin Harris and David Chumley of Kentuckytown were visiting Mrs. Penney's parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Randle, Sunday.

Frank Abrams and family of Blue Ridge were in our midst Sunday.

Harding Nitcholas, wife and baby, Melba Jean, were visiting near McKinney last Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Blasingame of Dale, Texas, came up to visit their sick father, Mr. Henry Sacke. They took him back home with them to care for him during his illness.

R. A. Penny and family of McKinney visited at the home of Dolphus Long Sunday evening.

FAIRFIELD

Mr. and Mrs. Edd Medcalf left for Kenefic, Okla., Monday, where they will make their home.

Mr. and Mrs. Cleo Vaughan and baby spent one day last week with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Will Vaughan.

Mr. and Mrs. George Medcalf, Mrs. Dan Rollins, Cleburne Rollins and Mr. and Mrs. George Rollins attended the funeral of Virgil Ellison at Green Valley last Friday.

Edward McCaffety spent Sunday with Cleburne Rollins.

Mrs. Johnnie Erwin and daughter visited with Mrs. Bessie Vaughan recently.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Medcalf, Mrs. Dan Rollins Cleburne Rollins, Mr. and Mrs. George Rollins, were shopping in McKinney Saturday.

WESTMINSTER

Mrs. M. L. Vermillion

Rev. G. B. Airhart and wife and little granddaughter, Gail Booth McMichael, came up from McKinney Saturday evening and were guests of Mr. and Mrs. G. Perry and family Saturday night. Brother Airhart brought us two splendid sermons Sunday. We had a good Sunday school and B. Y. P. services, also. Will have a Christmas tree at the Baptist church Christmas eve night. Every one is invited to come and co-operate with us, who will.

Brodie Hood had the misfortune of breaking his arm while trying to crank his car Monday.

Miss Ora Giles and five of her schoolmates from Wesley college, Greenville, came up to spend the week-end with her home folks. The young ladies were Misses Maurine Merrill, Ila Mae Scrimshire, Oleta Gooch, Beulah Watson and Myrtle Hargrove.

Kermit Giles of Dallas was home for the week-end.

Misses Alma and Bee Littrell went home to spend the week-end last week.

Mr, and Mrs. A. W. Jernigan and family, and Miss Ruby Johnsey went to McKinney to visit Mrs. Jernigan's parents, Uncle Perry and Aunt Sallie Coffey, it being their wedding anniversary. Miss Loma Lee accompanied them to Melissa, where she spent a few hours with her home folks.

The Senior B. Y. P. U. gave a social at the home of Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Vermillion Saturday night. Misses Rubie Johnsey and Loma Lee were the entertainment committee, and they left nothing undone to entertain the fine crowd of young people who came. The house was decorated with autumn leaves and mistletoe, and games of various kinds were indulged in, until time for refreshments was announced, which consisted of chicken salad sandwiches and olives, doughnuts and hot chocolate and coffee. Those who attended from out of towne were Rev. and Mrs. G. B. Airhart and little Miss Gail Booth McMichael of McKinney, Mr. Hobart Johnson of Dallas, also Kermit Giles of Dallas, Misses Ora Giles, Maurine Merrill, Ila Maye Schrimshire, Oleta Gooch, Beulah Watson and Myrtie Hargrove all of Wesley college, Greenville, and Rual Evans of Burleson college, Greenville. They all left at a late hour after expressing their thanks to the B. Y. P. U. entertainment committee for the pleasant evening they had spent.

Grandma Samples has been quite poorly for the past two weeks.

Rev. G. B. Airhart and M. L. Vermillion went to Stony Point Sunday Sunday school convention.

Mr. and Mrs. James Davis and little Miss Johnnie Merle of Nevada spent Sunday with Rev. and Mrs. Davis here.

ABE SHAW AND FAMILY NOW LIVE NEAR LUBBOCK

Abe Shaw, living on Route 5, Lubbock, Texas, sends cash to renew for the Democrat-Gazette, his old Collin county family fireside paper, that he says he wants to continue to his address. He moved from Collin to his present home some months ago. We appreciate this renewal subscription from our former follow Collin county citizen, but deeply regret that he has moved away to another county. However we wish him and his both prosperity and much happiness in their new home.

ABILENE CONTRACTOR AND FAMILY ENJOY HOME PAPER

Contractor Lon G. Furr, 1841 North Fifth street, Abilene, Texas, sends renewal cash to the Daily Courier-Gazette. Lon Furr and wife, who is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Faires, were both born and reared in McKinney, where the parents of both of them are still living. Mr. and Mrs. Furr have one child, a beautiful, bright young girl, Mary Lee Furr, who is a graduate of our high school and now is a second-year student in a college at Abilene.

Allen

Mr. and Mrs. Mack Weaver entertained the followjng guests Sunday, Mr. and Mrs. Loren Breenner and daughter, Betty Jo., Misses Rena and Hazel Hall, Lorene and Annie Lou Moore, all of Rockwall.

Mr. V. C. Ruyle of Dallas was in Allen, Saturday.

Mrs. F. S. Waters and Miss Naomi Miller were guests of Mrs. C. N. Waters this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Willie Reynolds of Lebanon were Allen visitors Sunday.

Mr. T. C. Rose and family have all been ill from flu.

The Woodmen Circle will hold their Christmas exchange at the hall Saturday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock.

Mr. J. S. Henderson and family spent the week-end at Midlothian.

Messrs C. N. and F. S. Waters were guests of Don Faiby and family at Ctrsicana this week and enjoyed hunting.

Mr. J. B. Jones of McKinney was shaking hands with Allen friends, Saturday.

Mr. L. Goeman has been quite ill with flu, but is able to be up.

Mr. Luther Bolin has gone to Fort Worth where he is attending business school.

Mr. John H. Stevenson of New Mexict, is a guest of his sister, Mrs. W. N. Waters. Mr. Stevenson lived here some thirty-six years ago and taught school at Hedgecoxe and Wetsel. He finds many changes in the community.

Mr. Luther Summers and family were shopping in McKinney, Monday.

Master J. P. Giddings Jr., and little Ruby Frances Leach have chicken pox.

Among other influenza victims reported are Mrs. R. F. Beene and daughter, Obed; Mr. and Mrs. Joe Bridges and daughter, Le Elda; Miss Frances Whisenant; Mr. Jack Fraze; Miss Ivan Perry and Mrs. W. R. Taylor.

Mr. Noah Fraze of Foote was in Allen Saturday.

Mr. Morris Payne and wife of Palestine, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Payne. Mr. Payne is a recruiting officer and has been in U. S. Service for twenty years.

Mr. Charlie Holly and little daughter are here from Oklahoma.

Phone your news to 65.

VERONA

Mrs. W. D. Samples has been on the sick list for a few days.

Mrs. Eugene McKinney of McKinney spent Sunday night with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Grisham.

Messrs. Nelson Grisham and Wendell Stewart have returned from Lubbock where they have been for several weeks.

Talmadge Stewart has gone to Nocona, where he has accepted a position.

Mr. McQuery and family have moved to Oklahoma.

Mrs. W. A. Stewart entertained a group of young folks at her home Friday night. A nice time was reported by everyone.

Mrs. Newt Burton and children of Royse City were visitors at Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Stroup Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. E. J. Burton has returned here after spending a few days with H. H. Burton and family of Pilot Point.

H. H. Burton and daughter, Miss Jean, of Pilot Point were brief visitors here Sunday.

Miss Vergie Green entertained a few of her friends with a tacky party Friday night. Every one present enjoyed themselves immensely.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Spaugh have moved back into this community from Whitewright where they went a few weeks ago.

Chester McTee of McKinney spent the week-end here at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. McTee.

Mrs. J. W. McTee was called to Henryetta Sunday to attend the funeral of her father, Mr. Campbell, who has been ill several months. She has made several trips there to attend his bedside in the last few weeks. She was accompanied by her husband and son, Babe. We sympathize with Mrs. McTee in her great sorrow.

Miss Annie Louise Stroup attended the Blue Ridge-Anna basket ball game Friday. Miss Mildred Stroup of this place is a forward player on the Blue Ridge team.

Mrs. Ona Williams attended the bedside of her daughter, Mrs. Ross Hutton of Leonard last week.

Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Williams and Miss Joy visited Mr. and Mrs. Ross Hutton of Leonard Sunday.

Mrs. E. L. Williams attended a club demonstration in McKinney Saturday.

Orville Stroup has gone to Waco, where he will work for the Gifford company during the holidays.

Miss Fay Stroup, a student in the N. T. S. T. C. at Denton spent the Thanksgiving holidays here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Stroup.

The revival at the Baptist church is in progress at this time.

Clell Beckham of McKinney spent the Thanksgiving holidays at the home of his parents.

MISS ELIZABETH BOYKIN WEDS MR. ROBERGE

The Times is in receipt of the announcement of the marriage of Miss Elizabeth Boykin of Kaufman to Mr. W. J. Roberge of Dallas, which occurred at the home of the bride in Kaufman Thanksgiving day. The bride is a charming and talented girl, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Boykin. She formerly resided in Farmersville and has a host of good friends here. The groom is a capable young business man of Dallas.—Farmersville Times.

Mrs. G. W. Lepeard has been confined to her bed by a severe attack of the influenza for several days.

Mrs. C. M. Cooper and little son are ill with influenza. Mrs. Cooper's mother, Mrs. J. H. Lugenthall, is also ill.

MURPHY

Mrs. J. R. Stewart was a business visitor in Plano Friday.

Murphy High school basket ball team defeated Kraymer school, close to Wylie, 7-11. Edgar Bush is principal of Kraymer this year.

Noel Mouden has been ill the past two weeks, but is slowly improving. Mr. Moulden is owner of the Fowler & Moulden Garage of this place.

Steel Boyd and Bill Daniels were Dallas shoppers Saturday.

Charles L. Cockrell and mother, and Miss Mary Taylor were in an automobile wreck Tuesday in Dallas. No one was hurt except Mr. Cockrell, who received a slight cut on the nose. Miss Taylor was driving the car.

Aubrey Poindexter and family have returned from their automobile trip to the South Texas far at Harlingen.

Raymond Posey is visiting relatives in Mt. Vernon this week.

Last Sunday the Baptist church celebrated the 25th anniversary of Bro. J. B. Wright as their Sunday school superintendent. Mr. Wright has been the nucleus of the church. He has always been loyal to his job. His friends wish him many more happy years.

The Murphy Dramtic club presents "Oh, Kay," a three-act comedy next Friday night. The Praetorian quartet of Dallas will furnish a 40-minute concert before the play, and three numbers between each act. The dramatic club has put on good plays the past year and they are always enjoyed by everyone. Miss Lola Merle Smith is directing the play.

Tom Brigham and wife spent a few days with their daughter, Mrs. Jones of Fort Worth.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Hooper and two children, Charles and Alta Lee spent the week-end with Mrs. Hooper's mother, Mrs. W. H. Wharton of here: Mr. and Mrs. Hooper live in Sherman.

Miss Mary Taylor of here is clerking at Taylor's Variety store.

J. R. Dickerson has accepted the position as superintendent of Murphy High school. Prof. McCasland, who is at present superintendent, has accepted the principalship of McKinney East Ward school. Mr. McCasland has been teaching here the past four years.

John Haney has returned from Marlin, where he has undergone treatment for his health. Mr. Haney is much better at present.

Crave Parmley has bought a new Ford sedan. He has just recently married.

Rev. Key of McKinney preached at the Baptist church here Sunday.

VESTER LOVELADY AND WIFE LIKING HOME NEAR ABILENE

W. V. (Vester) Lovelady, R. F. D. 2, Abilene, Texas, sends renewal cash for the Weekly Democrat-Gazette another year in advance. Mr. and Mrs. Lovelady were born and reared in this county. Mrs. Lovelady was formerly Miss Minnie Wilson, a niece of one of the editors of this paper. They did well farming and poultry raising this year in their new West Texas home, where they seem to like wine, but they still want to keep in touch with their many Collin county friends and former neighbors, and so continue to take our paper.

BUYS RAINS COUNTY FARM

J. T. Higgins of Merit has sold his 40-acre farm near Emory to W. M. Payne of McKinney. The deal was handled by R. L. Hig

G. A. Wilson and wife of Dallas were guests of the latter's parents Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Braswell of McKinney Sunday.

New Toy and Gift Store

We have opened a "CHRISTMAS" store in the Abbott stand, next door to Sneed's Book Store, where we are showing complete line of toys and other Gift goods. We cordially invite you to visit this store, where prices are moderate, and shopping is made easy by our open displays.

This store in no way interferes with our original store where you will find hundreds of Xmas gifts at most reasonable prices.

GREENWOOD'S VARIETY STORE

McKinney, Texas

STATE WIDE MEET JR. O. U. A. M. HELD AT GREENVILLE

The annual state convention of the Junior Order United American Mechanics, was held at Greenville, Texas, Monday, Dec. 3. The McKinney council had several representatives at the state meeting.

Chas. H. Stapleton of Greenville was elected state councillor and Mayor J. F. Nichols of Greenville was elected vice councillor.

The order originated in the state of Pennsylvania 80 years ago, and has gradually spread well over the entire country. It has grown strong enough in Texas to set up a state organization here.

A council was first organized in oMcKinney thirty-two years ago, but became dormant after five or six years. It is a strictly American organization, patriotic in its nature and gives special attention to fostering of our public school system, and to the education of our children.

Jesse Vier, Warren B. McAlister and Pendell Bush were representatives of the McKinney councol at the recent state convention.

JOE WRIGHTS 25-YEAR RECORD AS S. S. SUPT

A Murphy contributor to the Plano Star-Courier says:

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Quarter Century Service.

Sunday was a great day at the Murphy Baptist church. It completed the 25th year of Bro. Jake riyght's Superintendency of the Sunday school of that church.

He has missed Sunday school very few times during his tenure of office. He was absent one Sunday to attend an anniversary of his close kinsman, another time he missed on account of a death in the family. With the exception of these two times he has always been present unless he was sick and that has been rare.

Rev. G. O. Key of McKinney preached the anniversary sermon. He told of how he started Mr. Wright out in doing church work. He said: "Brother Wright came to me during the meeting and asked what he could do to help the meeting. I told him to stand at the door and shake hands with every one tell them you are happy to have them at church. The next day he came around and offered me service in any other way I desired and I told him to quit coming up here to church in that little old light buggy, but to hitch up the wagon and bring as many people as he could. The next night Brother Wright and his wife brought several in their wagon to church and he was the means of converting the man that lived on his place. From that day on Brother Wright has been an actice worker in the church. Many boys and girls in the Sunday school have married and have grandchildren coming to the same Sunday school and to the same superintendent."

Rev. J. B. Snider, the pastor, gave a summary of his work as thirteen years as pastor with Mr. Wright. This was followed by Mrs. Mary Dickerson who was the first organist. She told of how she and Mrs. May Cockrell worked for subscriptions to the "Plano Star-Courier" to win a contest which gave the church their first organ.

Charles Cockrell presented Brother Wright with a gold watch chain in which he said: "I present to you in behalf of the Gardner B. Y. P. U. this gift, as an expression of our love and affection for you and for your noble service that you have rendered so willingly the past twenty-five years. We as young people have grown up under your leadership, and your prayers and influence as our superintendent will linger here on this earth forever. We shall always love and honor you and our fervent prayer is that you and your dear wife shall have health to serve us many more years to come."

Rev. J. B. Snider had Mr. Wright to stand up in front of the pulpit and every one shook hands with him as a means of expressing their love and thanks to him for his noble service.

In all probability Mr. Wright will serve the church as superintendent for many more years. He is in good health and does not look old. His work has just begun and the prayer of the Murphy Baptist church, headed by their good pastor is that he shall serve us another twenty-five years.

TATTOO IS TRACED TO ILLIONOIS HOME

Terre Haute, Ind.—The letters "A. E. F." tattooed on a man's arm was traced by legionnaires here with the aid of finger prints and the War department to Taylorsville, Ill.

The marking was on the arm of a man struck by a train here. The War department identified finger prints as those of Carol P. Useman. Mrs. Blanche Patterson, of Taylorsville, was listed as next of kin. The trail led to St. Louis. A brother was then found near Taylorsville. Useman died as a result of his injuries and the body was turned over to the relatives.

Miss Ruth Ray, one of the stenographers in the big insurance office of Waller, Ray & Ray, is confined at home by an attack of the influenza for the past few days.

DECEASED DENISON LADY HAD SON IN M'KINNEY

Mrs. Mary J. Stricklin, 72 years old, a native Texas, died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Mary Thornhill, Cotton Mill Monday morning at 11 o'clock, Dec. 3, after an illness of the last six months. She had been making her home at the cotton mill with her daughter for the last ten years.

She was a member of Sunnyside Baptist church. Surviving are three sons, W. O. Stricklin, Lytle; J. B. Stricklin, McKinney, and A. R. Stricklin, Gonzales, and two daughters, Mrs. Maude Williams, Itasca, and Mrs. Mary Thornhill at the cotton mill.

Funeral services were held at the home of Mrs. Thornhill Tuesday afternoon at 1:30 o'clock with interment following in Oakwood cemetery.

WOOD'S CAFE HAS UNIQUE DECORATIONS

Wood's came, Kali Woods, owner and proprietor, located on North Tennessee street, is another McKinney business house to decorate for the Christmas season. Mr. Woods was one of the first business men here to put up decorations. They consist of many vari-colored electric lights placed about the awning to his store, which presents a most attractive view when nearing his cafe, either from North or South Tennessee street.

CHEMICAL FOUNDATION, INC.... DONATES TO A. & M.

College Station, Texas.—A contribution of $500 to be used in the sewage disposal research work being carried on by the engineering experiment station, A. & M. college of Texas, has been received from the Chemical Fundation, Inc., of New York, Dr. F. E. Giesecke, director of the engineering station, has announced. Communication from W. W. Buffum, general manager of the foundation, tranmitting the funds, set forth that the conribution was being made because of the interest of the foundation in the "splendid results" obtained in the research at A. & M.(which at present is related to problems applicable to Texas.

A PANHANDLE POETESS.

(The author of this poem, Mrs. Ferne Cabot Dysart, of Wildorado, 35 miles west of Amarillo, Texas, is the wife of a Collin county born and reared young farmer and ranchman, J. Lester Dystart, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Dystart, who live ten miles north of McKinney. The poem was taken from the Amarillo paper.)

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THANKSGIVING.

For love lights that lie in a Mother's eyes—
Like jewels of night in the limpid skies,
For homes with their haven of open arms,
And babies with sunshine and wealth of charms—
For the many riches we thank the, God.

For musical note of the laughter gay
That greets tired hearts at the close of day,
For wat—ers that sing over echoing falls
And melodies caught when the nightingale calls,
For the music of Life we thank Thee, God.

For clear, mirrored surface of sparkling lake
That unto her breast the stars doth take,
For towering trees above fragrant flowers,
And shadows and sunlight in hidden bowers,
For the beauties of Life we thank Thee God.

For love as it guards thro' the deepening night
And opens the panels to blessings of light,
For mercies and memories Thou hast bestowed
To comfort and guide as we travel the road,
For Thy message of love we thank Thee, God.

For tears when they fall as the merciful rain
That cleeanses the heart or its searing pain,
For sorrow that teaches us how to know
A comforting tho't for another's woe,
For Thy lessons of grief we thank Thee, God.

For rare understanding—the ultimate gain
That mortals have reached thro' the heartbreaking pain
Of the Saviour who toiled 'neath the Cross to the Hill
And perished thereon thro' Thine own Divine will,
For the Son Thou hast given we thank Thee, God.

FERNE CABOT DYSART,
Wildorado, Texas.

The writer of the above lovely poem has sold poems to Liberty and other popular magazines. She is a member of the Panhandle Pen Women's society.

Roy Caldwell, a popular young McKinney groceryman and member of the C. & T. grocery firm, has been confined to his home by illness for the past three or four days.

VERONA WIFE AND MOTHER ARE FRIENDS THIS PAPER

Mrs. E. L. Williams, route 1, Blue Ridge, graced our office with a visit while in town Saturday with her husband. She came in to renew her Weekly Democrat-Gazette subscription for another year, paying to Jan. 1, 1930.

Mr. and Mrs. Williams live on their farm, located just north of Verona, about fifteen miles northeast of McKinney.

Mrs. Williams was born and reared near where she lives at the present time. Her maiden name was Miss Lona Bowman, daughter of George Bowman and wife, pioneer couple of near Blue Ridge, long since deceased.

Mr. and Mrs. Williams are the parents of six children, two sons and four daughters. The sons are Fairrest and Derrest Williams. Both of these sons are drillers in the Electra oil fields of West Texas.

The four daughters are Miss Joye Williams, at home with her parents; Mrs. Roscoe Hutton, of Leonard, Tex.; Mrs. J. B. Cunningham, of Frederick, Ok., and Mrs. J. A. K. Nisbitt, of Longview, Tex.

Mrs. Williams says that the Weekly Democrat-Gazette has long been the favorite family fireside paper in her home and she doesn't think that she will ever be without it. The editors were mighty glad to hear these words of commendation for our paper from this good, native-born Collin lady, as well as receive the more substantial token of her appreciation in the form of a cash renewal for more than a year in advance.

BONE SHOE STORE DECORTED FOR XMAS HOLIDAYS

The Bone Shoe store, located on the north side of the square, is one of the business houses of McKinney to decorate for the Christmas holiday season.

The principal thing to be said about their decorations is that it is different, decidedly so. The decorating was done by Mr. and Mrs. Bone and Joe Bailey, son of Deputy District Clerk and Mrs. T. L. Bailey of this city.

A pretty green border of cedar limbs has been artistically arranged around the entire store, while others have been placed around the large lighting fixture in the center of the business home. Streamers are also to be seen from the center to all parts of the building.

Two miniature Christmas trees may be seen in the show window, while another has been placed on the counter in front of the store. You have a cordial invitation to visit this store and view their Yuletide decorations.

FARM CLUB BOY MADE $1.60 PER HOUR LABOR

For every hour spent in raising a crop of hegari this year, B. M. Francis, a club boy of Falls county has earned $1.60. He used pure line seed on hilly black land and made 3,690 pounds of heads per acre, besides a heavy tonnage of fodder fed to cattle and mules and not given a value. He declares the yield would have been much larger had it not been for the extremely dry weather in the growing season.

COLLIN FARM PRODUCE RETAILED IN DALLAS

Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Dysart, who live on their place, Sunnybrook farm, ten miles north of McKinney, were in the city Saturday. They have been killing their fattening hogs along from time to time this fall and selling sausage and frest meat to customers in Dallas, where they also sell much other produce from their farm in the way of butter, eggs, poultry, vegetables and fruit.

OFF ON ANNUAL DEER HUNT.

C. W. O'Brien, Gus O'Brien, Lee Robinson. Bill Gearhart, Joe Clark and L. L. Lewis Monday started for the Eagle Pass country on their annual deer hunt. During the twelve years this scribe has resided in Celina this bunch has not failed to go on a similar hunting trip each year and they have never come back empty-handed. They are all old heads except Jo Clark, but none of the older ones have anything on him. He, too, knows how to bring home the venison.—Celina Record.

REYNOLDS-BOWLIN.

Mr. and W. F. Reynolds and Miss Ruby Bowlin, two popular young people of the Firsco community, drove to Celina Thanksgiving day and were united in marriage at 5 p. m. by Rev. L. T. Groumbles. The Record trusts they may have much for which to be thankful when they come to the end of te way after tey have travelled life's pathway together for many years.—Celina Record.

W. L. (Lou) Barnett is confined to his home with influenza. His friends are anxious for his speedy recovery.

LETTERS TO SANTA CLAUS

Dear Santa: I am a little girl, 6 years old. Will you please bring me a big doll and buggy, a little trunk, some fruits, nuts and fireworks. I have a baby sister, Glendora, so please bring her a doll, little rocking chair and lots or good things to eat. We would like to have a Kiddie Kar tool. Be sure and don't forget papa and mama. Your little girl, Doris Luscomb, Weston, Route 1.

Dear Santa: I want you to bring me a car, firecrakers, candy and a Kiddie kar.—Elmer Roper, Anna, Texas.

Dear Old Santa: Well, I want to tell you what I want for Christmas. I want candy, nuts, apples, oranges, a sleepy doll, and little red wagon, and some perfume. Please don't forget dear mother and dad. I am just 11 years old, have dark hair and blue eyes. Mother wants a new rocking chair and a radio. Bring a new bottle and nipple for Betty. Your little friend, J. L. Dugger, Route 5, McKinney.

Chief Recer, barber of the Basement Barber shop, is ill with influenza.

CURIOUS DOCUMENTS FOUND AT T. U.

Austin, Texas.—Among the curious documents found in the library at the University of Texas is a fassimile reproduction of the handwriting of an ancient Burmest king, Mindoon, who reigned from 1853 to 1878. The speciment of writing was given to the library by F. J. Sibley of Cambridge, England. The original is in the possession of L. Allan Goss, teacher of the Burmese language in the University of Cambridge.

Judge H. L. Davis is confined to his home with the influenza.

Miss Edith Raper, are ill with influenza.

Eunice McCoy, Route 1, Blue Ridge, sends her check of sufficient size to renew her Weekly Democrat-Gazette subscription for another year in advance and to also pay for the Semi-Weekly Farm News at our special clubbing rate. We certainly thank her.

Mrs. Bertha Parker is sick with influenza.

ANNUAL FLOOR COVERING SALE

DECEMBER 15th to 27th

Our Entire Stock of Wool Rugs, Linoleum and Congoleum Rugs at Reduction.

Attractive patterns in both linoleum and congoleum at a saving.

39c to 95c sq. yds.

SPECIAL
9x12 Felt Base Rug
Attractive Patterns
Only $4.98 Cash

New patterns in wool rugs from the 27x54 inch to the 9x12 size.

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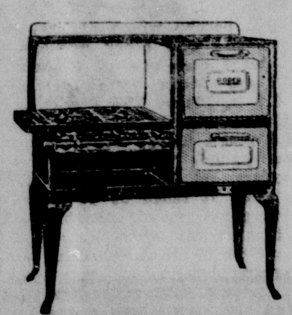
All Floor Coverings at Savings. Nothing Reserved.

S. E. WALKER

Hardware McKinney Furniture

GIFTS THAT DEMAND APPRECIATION
Are Useful Gifts

Your gas company is now completely equipped with a standard line of A. G. A. Approved Gas Burning appliances. They are time-saving and labor-saving. See them and learn how you can purchase one for a small sum down. The balance payable monthly with your gas bills. Our store is well stocked with Christmas Gifts, the sort that demand appreciation and win the hearts of both mothers and wives. Come down today and select a beautiful gas range for delivery Xmas Eve.



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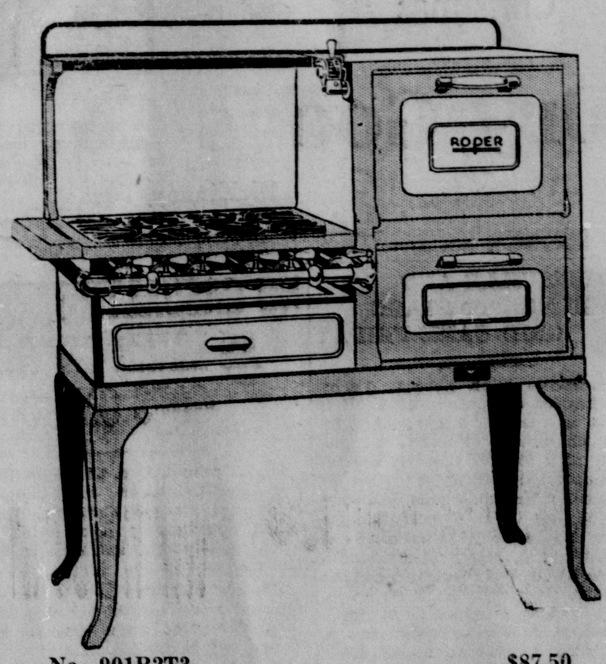

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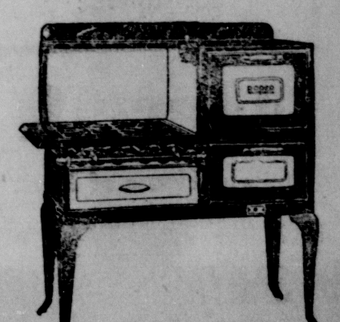
Three-quarter gray and white porcelain enamel with complete oven control and utility drawer. You must see this appliance to fully appreciate its beauty.



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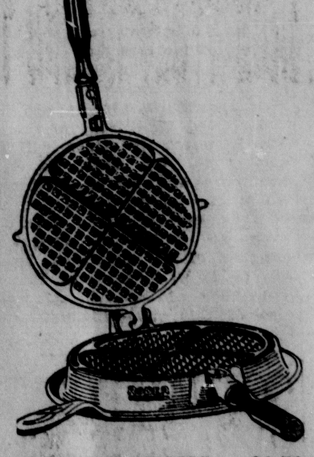
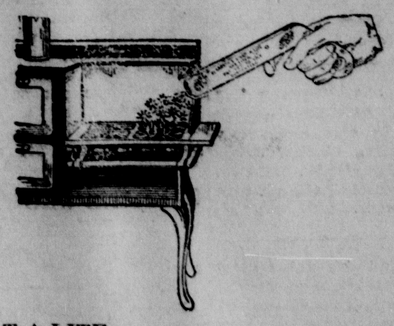
Another Genuine ROPER

That carries plenty of beauty and grace. And it has the complete oven control.



WAFFLE IRONS $1.50

Another shipment just received and they won't last long at such low prices. Order yours now it will make a delightful gift.



SHOOT-A-LITE 50c

Everybody in McKinney now Shoot's-a-Lite. This is the latest novelty and is absolutely safe.

Pop Corn Poppers $1.50

Here's about the niftiest little inexpensive trick you ever saw. Everybody likes pop corn and this popper is a sure enough "knock-out."

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AN OPPORTUNITY THAT IS PRESENTED ONCE IN A LIFE TIME.

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Delivers any Appliance, the balance monthly with your gas bill.

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BUY GIFTS AT MERRITT'S

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SHIRTS 98c to $2.45	LADIES' PURSES $1.00 to $7.95
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SWEATERS $2.45 to $4.95	Dainty Handkerchiefs 5c to 75c
GLOVES $1.45 to $2.95	VANITY CASES 50c to $3.00
HOSE 25c to $1.00	FANCY GARTERS 25c to 98c
ROBES $9.85	TOILET GOODS 50c to $5.00
PAJAMAS $1.45 to $3.95	FANCY TOWELS 25c to $1.00
BELTS 50c to $2.00	RAYON BEDSPREAD $2.95 to $5.95
BOOT SOX 50c to 75c	TABLE LINENS 69c to $1.95 yd.

Dolls for the Baby 98c to $3.95

This Store Answers What to Give for Christmas

Merritt Dry Goods Co.

"The House of Merit" McKinney, Texas

SMITH DELIVERS STIRRING MESSAGE TO BAPTIST MEN

"The word of God can not be bound anywhere, and it matters not what are conditions we can speak and live the gospel. This is one of the great privileges," said W. S. Smith, in his lecture before the class of the Bible class of the First Baptist church Sunday school. Mr. Smith's theme for his lecture was "Paul in Rome."

He said the great prophets and apostles of all ages have been spoken against. Present reform and forward movement in church or state, religion or policies need not hope for any better reception. Even science or invention can not give a new truth without being spoken against. The best things have been branded with the worst names. Truth must always fight its way through opposition.

Mr. Smith said salvation is offered us, but it is not forced upon us, and we are wholly responsible if we reject it. Some believe the things that are spoken concerning God and righteousness, Christ and salvation and some disbelieve, but we are accountable for our beliefs, andby them shall we be judged and refusing to hear does not lessen our responsibility.

"It is possible to have all the faculties of sight and hearing, thought and will conscious and responsibility, but through disuse and disobedience they be so dulled that they will not longer percieve and receive truth and righteous. Every faculty and power and conscious is subject to the same deterioration and death.

Use and grow, neglect and decay is a law that can not be obliterated. We may shut our eyes to the beauty and glory of the world around us, but the beauty is there and will be seen by others, said Mr. Smith.

We may excuse ourselves from the kingdom of the redeemed, but the grace of God will be used by others. Mr. Smith closed by pleading with the men to live more consecrated lives, and lives that will county for God.

Misses Alma Williams, Wilma Johnson and Inez Lackey, members of the young ladies class favored the men with a special vocal number.

President Hoover presided at the opening exercises of the class while Rupert M. Crabb led the men in the song service with Mrs. Crabb at the piano.

D. C. GEORGE GROWS FINE PECANS IN PLANO

D. C. George has an attractive display of pecans in the show window of his hardware store which display is attracting much favorable comment. Besides a display of native pecans which are rather small, he has two other displays—one of Stuart and one of Success pecans. These pecns were grown on his lot in Plano. The Stuart tree is 10 years old, and has been bearing for 6 years. Thirty of these nut weigh a pound. The Success tree is 10 years old has and been bearing 5 years. It takes 33 of these nuts to weigh a pound. Another exhibit is that of the Bass paper-shell pecans grown by J. A. Rawlins on a five-year-old tree.

A few good pecan trees or a pecan orchard would prove a valuable asset to any farm. These pecans thrive in Collin county and there should be more trees planted. Mr. George is boosting the pecan industry and has been instrumental in getting a number of farmers to put out trees.—Plano Star-Courier.

KLEPPER'S PAINTINGS NOW ON DISPLAY

Frank Klepper has an individual exhibit of pictures made by him this summer while in France and Belgium. The showing is held in the Highland Park Art gallery, Dallas, and started Wednesday of this week. Mr. Klepper's paintings will be on display for ten days. Frank, who was born and reared in Plano, in which city he took his first lesson in art, was in Plano Tuesday en route to Dallas to supervise the hanging of his paintings. He is a son of J. B. Klepper of Plano and a brother of Mrs. G. A. Barnard, also of this city.—Plano Star-Courier.

W. B. SAUNDERS AND FAMILY LEFT WITH REGRETS

W. B. Saunders and family left Wednesday for their future home at Clegg, Live Oak county, Southwest Texas. W. M. Burgess of McKinney conveyed their household effests in his truck, while Mr. Saunders and family made the trip through in their auto.

Mr. Saunders and family are located on his 200-acre farm there that he has owned for the last fifteen years. It has 100 acres in cultivation.

Mr. Saunders was born in DeKalb county, Tennessee, but came to Collin county in 1882, when he was only four yearsm old, and was reared in the Chambersville community. His wife was formerly Miss Johnnie Marshall, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. Marshall of Weston.

He has been for twenty years a tenant on the farm of Prof. W. S. Smith. In fact, he and Prof. Smith have been partners in the live stock business as well as in their farming operations. They are steadfast friends and Mr. Saunders could have continued indefinitely with Mr. Smith had he not preferred to move on to his own farm in Southwest Teexas.

Mr. Saunders is highly esteemed and it is with supreme regret that his many friends see him and his good wife and children move away from our county. However, he says that if he doesn't like to live down there, it is no farther back up home here in old Collin than it is from here down there, and he knows the way back.

Before leaving, he called to renew for the Weekly Democrat-Gazette for a year in advanc. He has long been a good friend and regular reader of our paper.

RED RIVER COUNTY TOMATO INDUSTRY RAPIDLY GROWS

Clarksville, Tex., Dec. 11.—Tomato growers in Red River county are making plans for next year's crop. Meetings of growers have been held in several communities to discuss methods of cultivation, seed and other matters. Local growers will probably standardize on one variety again next year.

Five hundred acres of tomatoes planted here last season were of one variety and this standardization was declared very satisfactory.

It is already estimated that next yer's acreage will be in the neighborhood of 1,000.

The best place to go to a show is in McKinney. Spend your money with us here and save the difference.

R. and R. RITZ

McKinney, Texas

THURSDAY AND FRIDAY

The most talked about picture in some time, "THE PORT OF MISSING GIRLS," with sound and talking dialogue.

SATURDAY

Corinne Griffith in "THE OUTCAST."

MONDAY AND TUESDAY

Billie Dove in "ADORATION."

R AND R POPE

FRIDAY AND SATURDAY

Tom Mix in "HELLO CHEYENNE," and "The Yellow Cameo."

MONDAY AND TUESDAY

A special picture, "THE COWARD."

WEDNESDAY AND THURSDAY

"CHICAGO AFTER MIDNIGHT." See what is going on in this great city. It's interesting.

UNIVERSITY OFFICIALS VISIT MARSHALL

Austin, Texas.—Miss Fannie Ratchford, librarian in the Wreen and Stark collections at the University of Texas library, and Mrs. Mattie Austin Hatcher, University archivist, have just returned from a short trip to Marshall, where they addressed a group of club men and women and school officials. Miss Ratchford spoke on "The Wreen Library," while Mrs. Hatcher's subject was "Spanish, French and Anglo-Saxon Elements in Texas Civilization."

W. J. Woods, manager of Cheeves Bros & Co., and wife are confined to their home with illness.

SORE GUMS—PYORRHEA.

Heal your gums and sae your teeth. Its simple. Just get a bottle of Leto's Pyorrhea Remedy and follow directions. Don't delay; do it now. Leto's is always guaranteed. Mitchell Drug store.

Three of the children of Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Mantooth are among the influenza patients of the city.

Miss Naubie Beene of Nevada visited her aunt, Mrs. Jim Kimbriel in this city recently.

Mr. and Mrs. Rufus Morgan from Hutchins, Kansas, and Mr. and Mrs. Humphries from Commerce, Texas, were visitors in the home of Rev. J. A. Sharpe Sunday.

Jewelry Store Quitting Business!

On account of the illness of Doctor LeRouax we find it necessary to liquidate this business.

EVERY ITEM TO BE CLOSED OUT AT A SACRIFICE

This is the place to BUY YOUR CHRISTMAS PRESENTS at a tremendous saving. Everything now on sale at a big discount.

LEROUAX JEWELRY STORE

Dr. J. S. Bridgefarmer, Trustee

Watch for our big ad and announcement

OLD SANTA CLAUS TO ARRIVE DEC. 15

Old Santa Claus, patron saint of the children, is due to make a landing in McKinney Saturday, December 15, and thereafter will put in most of his time visiting our stores, streets, public houses, schools, etc., until Christmas morning.

The city has been decorated in a rather elaborate way, especially in the business district.

Christmas trees line the sidewalks in front of the stores, as well as are to be seen on the interior of numerous places of business. Greenery, tinsel and other holiday decorations are also in evidence.

But the arrangements committee consisting of G. G. McAlexander, chairman; H. S. Ware, Newton J. Burkett, Charles W. Graves and Mrs. W. E. Marshall are extremely anxious that these Christmas trees be electrically lighted with an assortment of colored globes every evening now without further delay.

The Texas Power & Light Co. have connected their lines with each place of business, so that the current is now available.

It is highly important to illuminate the city as brilliantly as possible now every evening until after the holidays are over.

Some stores and places of business have already done this, but others have not, probably due to the contineued rainy, wet weather.

Chairman McAlexander of the arrangement committe says that our public-spirited business people only have to be reminded of the necessity of lighting up Christmas trees in front of their various places of business, and they will do it after the fashion of traditional McKinney public spirit and patriotic enterprise.

McKinney stores are brimful of holiday goods of every kind and assortment, and the trading public has every inducement to do their shopping here.

Even visitors who have no business with us will admire a beautiful holiday decorated town, and spread its fame for public spirit and seasonable, co-operative enterprise in a way that will broadcast the name and fame of McKinney throughout this section of the state.

Let everybody, both in the business district and the residential section, display colored lights and other decorations. Do it now.

Old Santa must be made to feel more than welcome when he arrives in McKinney Saturday to greet and entertain the kiddies.

It is an animated, beautiful sight now to drive or walk through the business district, especially these evenings, just to see the holiday decorations.

FARMERSVILLE AND GILMER TO STAGE GRID GAME FRIDAY

Farmersville High School Farmers, bidistrict champions of districts 5 and 6, and Gilmer High School, bidistrict champions of districts 7 and 16, will play for the Class B regional championship of East Texas at Farmersville Friday. This promises to be the best Class B football game seen in the state this season and great interest is being manifested in th contest. It will be witnessed by one of the largest crowds ever witnessing a Class B game in Texas.

Gilmer is preparing to bring a large crowd of fans to Farmersville for the game.

Farmersville has just won its second successive bidistrict championship, defeating Diamond Hill of Fort Worth. The Farmers have lost only one game in the last three seasons. Gilmer has also won its second bidistrict championship, having defeated the strongest Class B teams in East Texas this season.

Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Braswell and daughter, Louise, of Plano visited relatives Sunday in this city. They were guests of Mrs. Warren Jones and of Mr .and Mrs. D. W. Bagwill. Mrs. Jones accompanied them home for a few days' visit.

NO CASUALTIES AS LINER CELTIC GOES ON ROCKS

Cork, Ireland, Dec. 11.—The White Star liner Celtic, one time queen of the ocean, Monday night lay stricken on a ledge of rocks at an exposed point at the entrance of Cork harbor.

Ther was a huge hole in her bottom and a big rent in her side while twelve feet of water was in some of her compartments.

The 21,000-ton liner, which left New York on Dec. 1, and lafer called at Boston, went on the rocks during a gale early Monday morning and after fourteen hours of frantic efforts to refloat her, still was clutched by a group of rocks known as the cow and calf, off Roches Point lighthouse.

Without panic, without loss of life or even injury, all of her 253 passengers were iranshipped in a rough sea and brought safely to land in tends aided by a British cruiser. Later in the day part of the crew also was taken off and landed.

GARDENS GROWN BY SCURRY COUNTY CLUB WOMEN

Every member of the seven women's home demonstration clubs in Scurry county and 89 club girls besides have grown gardens this year. As high as 78 varieties of vegetables were displayed in the spring garden exhibits in that county and 103 varieties in the fall garden shows. Gardens pay, these folks believe, for as Ena Crabtree of Ira remarks: "It surely does reduce the grocery bill to have lots of fruits and vegetables. Our garden has given the family fresh vegetables all summer and now I have 300 containers of canned stuff for the winter." Ena is a fourth year club girl.

GOTHAM POLICE PROBE IS ASKED

New York, Dec. 11.—A legislative investigation of the police department as an outgrowth of the murder of Arnold Rothstein was being considered by Republican leaders of the state Monday.

W. Kingsland Macy, chairman of the Suffolk County Republican committee, has sent a letter to every Republican member of the legislature and all Republican county chairmen urging such an investigation.

"That the powers in control of the great metropolis have grown more than usually arrogant of late is generally recognized by the public." Mr. Macy wrote. He said he believed Governor-Elect Franklin D. Roosevelt, a Democrat, would favor such an inquiry.

Edward Nelson is ill at his home on South College street.

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BIG WHITE STAR LINER GOES AGROUND NEAR IRELAND

PROF. W. S. SMITH HEADS RED CROSS FOR NEXT YEAR

225 PASSENGERS ARE REMOVED SAFELY FROM SHIP

FOUR HUNDRED MEMBERS OF CREW ARE STILL ON VESSEL

Queenstown, Ireland, Dec. 10.—The White Star liner Celtic, carrying 255 passengers from New York to Liverpool, was aground today off Roches Point, near here. The passengers included twenty-nine survivors of the steamship Vestris, which sank last month off the Virginia Capes.

The passengers have been landed by tenders at Queenstown. The sea was calm and there was no danger. There are 412 members of the crew still to be taken off.

First efforts to refloat the vessel, which grounded at 5 a. m., have been unsuccessful. The Dutch tug Gelzee and the local tug Morsecook are standing by after the failure of their first attempt to get the boat off.

The tide was ebbing at noon and another attempt to refloat the ship will be made at 5 p. m., when the tide rises.

The ship itself, although high on the rocks, is in no immediate danger. The ground swell did not affect it and the southwest wind was light.

The Celtic grounded in the darkness 300 yards south of Roches Point, near the Carlisle and Camden Forts.

The Celtic is a ship of 21,000 tons, built in Belfast, Ireland, in 1901 by Holland Walff, Ltd. It is 680 feet long with a beam of 75 feet and is 44 feet deep. The port of register is Liverpool, England. The ship is one of the most popular passenger vessels in trans-Atlantic travel.

GIRLS TELL EXPERIENCES WITH TWO BANDITS

CREEP HOME SUNDAY, SAYING WERE MERCILESSLY MISTREATED

Dallas, Texas, Dec. 10.—Three Oak Cliff girls, their hair tousled, their clothes torn and their bodies smeared with dirt, crept into their homes at 5 a. m. Sunday and sobbed a story of merciless treatment at the hands of two armed hijackers who abducted them from their male companions near midnight Saturday on a lane near the Holmes street road.

Two men, one about 25 and the other 35, in a large closed car, dressed in blue overalls and gray sweaters and wearing large hats, were sought throughout Sunday by a squad of Deputy Sheriffs under Sheriff-Elect Hal Hood and Captain of City Detectives Leonard Pack and Detective Will Gritz.

The men were described by the girls who obtained a fair description of the bandits, despite the masks. Both of the men were in need of a shave, and one of them had sideburns. The girls obtained glimpses of the men when their masks slipped, and felt certain they could identify them.

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Two Aid in Search

During the afternoon two of the girls, both 17 years old, accompanied Deputy Sheriff Hood on a search over a seven-mile area south of De Soto in an effort to locate the place where the young women had been attacked. They were unsuccessful. The third girl was injured to the extent that she was unable to accompany the officers. All three were criminally assaulted, relatives told deputies.

The girls had been examined at the Dallas Methodist Hospital.

The two bandits forced the girls away from their three male companions, whim they robbed of what money they had. The youths went to the home of a dairyman, P. J. Overton, on the Holmes street road and gave the first report of the kidnaping. Overton called police.

Dr. and Mrs. Edwin Weisman Burof New York City, who have been guests of their parents, Dr. and Mrs. E. L. Burton, here for the past ten days, returned to New York City today.

MRS. DOYLE WILSON AND DAUGHTER VISITING HERE

J. L. Hitchcock of this city went down to Dallas yesterday to meet his daughter, Mrs. Doyle Wilson, and the latter's baby daughter, Betty Jo, who arrived there from Uvalde, where they now reside and where Mr. Wilson holds a responsible position with the Central Power and Light company.

The little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wilson suffered some painful burns Friday of last week, December 7, when she fell on the kitchen cook stove from her baby chair. She was 1 year old on the day the burns were received.

The many friends will regret to learn of the painful accident happening to Betty Jo, but trust that she will fast recover and will soon be entirely well again.

Mr. Wilson will come up to McKinney during the Christmas holidays.

K. OF P. ELECT NEW OFFICERS FOR COMING TERM

O. M. GODDARD WILL HEAD LODGE AS CHANCELLOR COMMANDER

The new officers for the local Knights of Pythias lodge for the next term, beginning January 1, were elected at the regular meeting of the lodge Friday night.

O. M. Goddard will head the lodge as chancellor commander, other officers elected are:

F. C. Hooge, vice chancellor.
Warren obb, prelate.
J. L. Pfaff, master of works.
J. M. Foster, keeper of records and seal.
W. Sims Cameron, master of finance and exchequer.
L. M. Goddard, master of arms.
Glen Stiff, inner guard.
O. A. Reese, outer guard.
J. M. Foster, representative to grand lodge.
J. L. Pfaff, trustee, three-year term. Other trustees are Giles McKinney and Glen Stiff.

LIONS CLUB IS FAVORED WITH MUSIC AT MEET

LION LEO SPILLMAN PROGRAM CHAIRMAN

A little music now and then is always pleasing to the Lions Club, and this week the members and guests were favored with selections by a McKinney trio composed of Lynn Poorman, C. D. Neely and Robert Dunlap. These men are experts when it comes to producing good music from stringed instruments. The Lions would hardly let them cease playing at their luncheon, so delightful was their music.

Lion Leo Spillman was program chairman and introduced the musicians. Leo makes an excellent chairman and the members felt indebted to him and his co-worker, C. Hansford Ray, for their contribution to the pleasure of the members.

Mrs. D. H. Faulkner anda group of her Christian church club workers served a delightful luncheon, the principal feature of the menu being turkey with all fixins', followed by delicious cherry pie covered with whipped cream. McKinney luncheon clubs are fortunate in being able to have served them each week such such delightful menus as the ladies of the First Christian church and the First Methodist church set before them. Visitors especially remark and comment upon the excellence of the food and service.

Dr. C. G. Comegys and F. Dudley Perkins of this city have returned from a ten days' outing, hunting in South Texas. They were accompanied by J. Perry Burrus, formerly of McKinney, now of Dallas.

Judge H. L. Davis is confined to his home by a severe attack of the flu.

ROTARY CLUB GUESTS OF FOOTE FARM WOMEN

SPEAKER OF NATIONAL PROMINENCE ON VARIED FARM ACTIVITIES

Foote Home Demonstration club ladies had the honor of being the first group of women outside of McKinney to serve the local Rotary club, which has been meeting regularly once a week for nearly ten years.

By special invitation, the club met at Foote, six miles west of McKinney Friday, Dec. 7, and enjoyed one of the most bountiful feasts that was ever spread for the club and, it may be also said, that no club in the state fares better at its weekly luncheons than does the McKinney club, which has for hig hostesses four groups of church ladies who rotate in serving them in the First Methodist and First Christian churches.

The Foote club ladies have an ideal club house, equipped with first-class kitchen facilities, natural gas fuel and piped water with other conveniences of the same nature that their town sisters enjoy.

The big gas main coming in to McKinney from the west, passes along in close proximity to the Foote club house. The main has been tapped, and so the ladies and a few of the farmers living along the line through West Collin, therefore, are privileged to enjoy the luxury of natural gas fuel.

About twenty to twenty-five ladies of the club were on hand as hostesses. They served turkey, barbecued pork, donated to them by Chandler Atkinson, a McKinney Rotarian, turkey dressing, gravy, spaghetti, cranberry sauce, salads, pickled cucumbers, pickled beets, cream Irish potatoes, delicious turnip greens, turnips, parsnips, native-grown Bermuda onions, candied sweet potatoes, green beans, peach sweet pickles, pumpkin pie with whipped cream, homemade mince pies, a variety of homemade cakes, Jersey butter, hot rolls, corn muffins, hot coffee, delicious buttermilk, whole sweet Jersey milk, and doubtless other articles that the editor cannot think to enumerate here. The turkey was cooked in the steam pressure canner, and was so tender that it could scarcely be carved with a sharp knife.

The ladies spared no effort in their graciousness in serving and were the recipients of much praise by several of the club members, speakers and visitors.

In addition to the great variety of delectable food the three long tables were also adorned with pretty flowers of the season and the walls of th building, doors and windows were festooned with holly and Christmas evergreens.

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Pleased With Attendance.

President Bill Rhea of the club expressed his appreciation for the splendid attendance. It was a de-

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REV. HUFFMAN GOES TO HARPER

Rev. T. F. Huffman and children were called to Harper, Texas, today to attend the funeral of their father-in-law and grandfather, Conrad Bierschuwale, who died in that city Sunday, following a several days' illness.

The deceased was about 72 years of age.

The funeral will be held in Harper on Tuesday.

PREACHES IN CHURCH THAT HE ORGANIZED 25 YEARS AGO

Rev. M. F. Wheeler of this city organized the Baptist church at Rhea Mills about twenty-five years ago, and started it on its career of service and insipration to that splendid West Collin community. He preached there last Sunday and Sunday night to appreciate audiences. He was accompanied to the appointment by J. T. Couch, a prominent McKinney Baptist layman and leader. Rev. Mr. Wheeler will preach in the future at least once month for this church.

A Crause went down to Dallas to atend the state ice cream convention.

Graves Snider, a valuable employe of the Gaither Oil company, is ill at his home on South Church street.

MAN CANNOT EVEN FRACTURE HIS OWN SKULL

Butte, Mont., Dec. 10.—A 22-year-old miner, told police here that he was a failure at everything.

"I can't even fracture my skull," the man declared when officers picked him up in an alley after he had dived from a window twenty-five feet above the ground. He sustained a small cut on one hand and a bruised leg.

"I'm going to work; no more suicide," he said, as he left Police Court.

AUTOMATIC OIL SYSTEM MADE BY M'KINNEY MAN

LUBRICATION AT DESIRED TIMES CONTROLLED BY SPEEDOMETER

No longer will it be necessary for the car owner to worry about proper lublication for the numerous working parts of his automobile, according to Ernest A. Wood, Dallas patent attorney. A new automatic lubricating system for motor cars has just been invented by a Texas man, W. Gibson Phelps of this city, who is superintendent of the shops of the Kerby Motor Company, Mr. Wood announced.

The system is entirely automatic, being controlled by the speedometer and operates in regular intervals according to the mileage of the car. It is possible to set the device to lubricate every working part of the machine at any given distance of travel, Mr. Wood explained.

The invention consists of a pressure pump operated by a small electric motor which receives its power from the storage battery and will not function until the ignition switch is turned on and the machine is thrown into high gear. Only when the car is operating or traveling in high gear does the system operate and consequently only lubricates the working parts when necessary.

An improved timing unit is provided to act as a medium through which the distribution of the lubricant takes place according to the mileage designated by the speedometer from which this timing unit directly operates. A series of relays is also provided to govern the operation of the system, one of which relays closes an electrical circuit through the storage battery and pressure pump motor when the timing unit, co-operating with the speedometer, registers a predetermined lubricating time. The others of these relays act to maintain an inoperative position of the system when the car is not in motion or is in low year.

This new invention makes it possible for the motorist to keep his car properly lubricated without any attention and also maintains a higher uniformity of lubrication, and the result, is a loner life for the average car, Mr. Wood declared.

This system can also be adapted to stationary power plants, furnishing a complete automatic lubricating system.

JOLLY JOY-MAKERS AT MELISSA TO HAVE PROGRAM

Jolly Joymakers League union of Melissa Methodist church will give the following program Tuesday night, Dec. 11 at 7 p. m.

Song service, Rev. W. W. Mangum, leader.
Devotional, Rev. L. W. Horn.
Prayer, Dr. J. A. Old.
Welcome, Rev. Roy L. Patton.
Reading, Mrs. Fred Graves.
Music, Miss Connie Osburn.
Reading, Arlesy Walden.
Specials by visiting leagues.
Lucky leaguers, S. S. Spearman in charge.
Business.
Social, pep meeting.

Ray Harris of Harris Brothers Grain Company was a visitor in Dallas Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Herndon are confined to their bed with influenza.

STAGE SETTINGS MOST ELABORATE EVER SEEN HERE

LEGION MINSTREL TO BE ONE WEEK FROM TONIGHT

One week from tonight the curtain will rise on the 1928 American Legion Minstrel Show in McKinney.

The minstrel will be presented two nights, Monday and Tuesday, December 17 and 18.

Coming just before the Christmas season, the show will be the only home-talent production to be produced in McKinney during the holidays. From conversation heard everywhere the writer goes about the city, greater interest has never ben shown here in a home-talent production.

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Reasons for Its Success.

There are several reasons why the legion minstrel show should be one of the biggest home-talent successes ever witnessed before in McKinney. Chief among these is the exceptional talent which T. W. (Turn) Franklin, post commander, and Phil Wolford, another legion official, have secured to be in the cast. There's plenty of talent to present such a show in McKinney and Messrs' Franklin and Wolford have spared no efforts to get the best possible talent to be found.

Another reason why the show should be a success is the fact that it is being directed by the Chris Ming Production company, so well-known in McKinney, where they have presented many shows in the past. Larry Blanchette of that company has been heer a week directing rehearsals. To say that he is a splendid and talented director would be putting it mildly.

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What Blanchette Says:

And listen to what he has to say concerning the prospects of the minstrel:

"I am certainly well pleased with the manner in which the cast is taking hold of the show. The end men are as good as professionals; the circle will be filled with men practically all of whom have had previous experience in staging minstrels. The young ladies seem unusually gifted in being able to grasp right at first just how the show should be put on. All in all, I'm elated with the prospects. I predict one of the best minstrels ever before seen in this part of the state."

The cast seems to realize, too, that one week from tonight and tomorrow night, the minstrel will be staged in this city and are entering into the rehearsals with only one thought in view, and that is to be perfect in everything they are expected to dc during the entire show.

Th stage settings and furnishings as well as the lighting effects, will be the most elaborate ever seen here, according to those members of the legion who are familiar with the show as it will be presented.

MRS. EARL CATES DIES AT HOME HERE

Mrs. Earl Cates, resident of this city, died at her late home on East Andrews street, this city, at 9 a. m. today. Funeral services are pending awaiting the arrival of her parents from Oklahoma. The services will be held at Nevada, in Southeast Collin, with Keller & Crouch, local undertaking firm, in charge of funeral arrangements. A more detailed account will appear in Tuesday's daily Courier-Gazette.

TOM W. PERKINS, JR., UNDERGOES OPERATION

Tom W. Perkins, Jr., of Greenville, son of Mr. and Mrs. Tom W. Perkins, Sr., of this city, underwent an operation for appendicitis at Dr. Cantrell's hospital in Greenville Sunday morning. Reports Sunday stated that he was resting fine and is getting along as well as can be expected.

Mrs. Pearl Skelton is confined to her bed with the influenza.

Mrs. Joe Wilcox, who has been sick for the past ten days, is slowly improving.

FORMER COLLIN MAN CRITICALLY ILL AT MAYO'S

T. M. (Bose) Hand of Stead, New Mexico, but formerly of near McKinney, has been a patient for six weeks in the Mayo hospital at Rochester, Minn., and his friends here very much regret to learn that he is in a critical condition. Bose Hand was born and reared in the Foote community, about six miles west of McKinney. He is a son of the late Jasper Hand, a pioneer farmer, thresher man and ginner of this county. Bose moved away from Collin a number of years ago, since which time he has been living at Amarillo, and in New Mexico.

We regret to hear of his serious illness. Mr. Hand is a brother of Mrs. M. L. Carter, who with her husband, own the old Jasper hand home place at Foote, where they live.

SATURDAY SCHOOL TO COME TO CLOSE DEC. 15

HISTORY CLASS FOR NEW YEAR HAS BEEN ORGANIZED

The first term of school, conducted here the past few months on Saturdays by instructors from the North Texas State Teachers' college, Denton, will come to a close Saturday. The courses offered are for the benefit of Collin county teachers who wish to take work on Saturday in various subjects leading to their degree from that Denton college.

The new term will begin the first Saturday, after Christmas, Dec. 29, at the Boyd High school, and the following courses will be offered: History 320, education, English, Latin and government 223.

The teachers from the N. T. S. T. C. are Dr. Kingsbury, history; Dr. Sharpe, education; Miss Mamie Smith, English; Dad Penders, government; Mr. Brown, Latin.

The history class for the new year has already been organized and will meet the first Saturday in January.

OIL TANK CAR EXPLODES AND ADDS TO HORROR

ONE OTHER RAILWAYMAN MAY DIE, SEVERAL OTHERS INJURED

Dalhart, Texas, Dec. 10.—Misread or misunderstood orders resulted early Sunday in the death of two Fort Worth & Denver City Railway engineers, the possibly fatal injury of a fireman and the more or less serious injury of four passengers and several other trainmen when train No. 2 the crack southbound passenger of the railroad, met in a head-on collision two miles south of here with a fast freight.

To add to the spectacular features of the wreck, a gasoline tank car, third from the engine on the freight, exploded and the resulting fire burned fourteen of the freight cars as well as the baggage and mail car and a special car of the Matador Land and attle Company of Matador, Texas, in which was the manager of the company and several of his friends, all of whom escaped.

The two engines telescoped for six feet and 200 yards of track was torn up.

DIES OF BURNS AFTER SATURDAY AUTO MISHAP

Waco, Texas, Dec. 10.—Henry Brumfield, 41, of Concord, six miles east of Waco, died in a local hospital Sunday afternoon as a result of burns received Saturday night when two autos collided in North Waco. Both cars caught fire after the crash.

Mrs. W. H. Coffman and one of her children are both ill with influenza.

Fred Coffey attend the football game Sunset and Cleburne game at Dallas Friday.

Miss Fay Wilcox is still very ill at her home with influenza.

OFFICERS ELECTED FOR ENSUING YEAR AT MEET

EXCUTIVE BOARD CHOSEN —PAST YEAR SUCCESSFUL

Annual election of officers for the Collin county chapter of the American Red Cross for the ensuing year has just been taken place.

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Executive Board.

The executive board chosen is as follows:

Mrs. F. B. Burnett, Mrs. R. L. Moulden, Paul K. Wilson, Mrs. A. M. Wolford, W. S. Smith, J. E. Gigson, F. C. Thompson, Mrs. Charles Waide, Dr. P. D. Robason, Mrs. J. E. McGee, Tom M. Scott, Walter B. Wilson, Mrs. J. L. Lovejoy, C. M. Cooper, C. W. Smith, Dr. Benjamin Bean, Mrs. Roy Largent.

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Prof. W. S. Smith, Chairman.

The board of directors immediately re-elected Prof. W. S. Smith as president of the county organization. He served during the past year with conspicuous fidelity and ability. Mrs. Fred G. Burnett was re-elected vice chairman and C. W. Smith re-elected secretary, Tom M. Scott treasurer, Paul K. Wilson home service chairman and Walter B. Wilson publicity chairman.

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Disaster Relief Committee.

Chairman Smith appointed Walter B. Wilson, Tom M. Scott, J. E. Gibson and C. W. Smith to serve with himself as a special disaster relief committee for the ensuing year.

Mrs. Dan W. Scott was re-elected nutrition chairman. She made a fine record and the county organization feels fortunate in having one so capable and devoted to the work to co-operate with Miss Elma S. Jones, the Red Cross nutritionist, who is here filling a year's engagement.

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Miss Elma S. Jones Reports.

Miss Elma S. Jones, special Red Cross nutritionist, made a written report to the county organization, showing that splendid results are following her work in the schools of our city. Miss Jones is pleased with the co-operation that she is getting from parents, teachers and pupils. Her time is wholly given to the work.

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Roll Call Result.

Secretary C. W. Smith announced that the recent annual Red Cross roll call had brought in $500 from McKinney and $322 from the rest of the county, making a total of $822 to date. He stated that additional reports are expected to come in yet. Prof. W. S. Smith, president of the county chapter, also acted as chairman of the annual roll call this year. The good results obtained are largely due to his hard, faithful work and loyalty to Red Cross and its humanitarian efforts.

14,373,000 BALES IS GOVERNMENT COTTON FORECAST

Washington, Dec. 10—The Department of Agriculture Saturday forecast the 1928 cotton crop at 14,373,000 equivalent 500-pound bales in its final estimates of the season.

The Census Bureau at the same time reported total ginnings of the 1928 crop prior to Dec. 1 at 12,561,618.

Production in 1927 was 12,955,000 bales; in 1926, it was 17,977,000, and in 1925 a total of 16,104,000 bales was grown.

The department in announcing the estimate said that "the final total ginnings for the season will depend on whether the various influences affecting the harvesting the field will be more or less favorable than usual."

The acreage for harvest was reported as 45,326,000 acres and the per cent of abandonment since July 1 was gicen as 3.4 per cent and the indicated yield per acre of lint cotton was placed at 151.8 pounds. The department said that on July 1 the acreage in cultivation was 46,943,000 acres.

County Commissioner-Elect J. Wilson Spain of near Farmersville was in McKinney today.

Hazel Gerrish of this city was a visitor in Dallas Friday.

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McKinney, Texas.

Editorials

NATION TRANQUIL AND PROSPEROUS.

No Congress of the United States ever assembled, on surveying the state of the Union has met with a more pleasing prospect than that which appears at the present time. In the domestic field there is tranquillity and contentment, harmonious relations between management and wage earner, freedom from industrials trife, and the highest record of years of prosperity. In the foreign field there is peace, the good will which comes from mutual understanding, and the knowledge that the problems which a short time ago appeared so ominous are yielding to the touch of manifest friendship. The great wealth created by our enterprise and industry, and saved by our economy, has had the widest distribution among our own people, and has gone out in a steady stream to serve the charity and the business of the world. The requirements of existence have passed beyond the standard of necessity into the region of luxury. Enlarging production is consumed by an increasing demand at home and an expanding commerce abroad. The country can regard the present with satisfaction and anticipate the future with optimism.

The main source of these unexampled blessings lies in the integrity and characted of the American people. They have had great faith, which they have supplemented with mighty works. They have been able to put trust in each other and trust in their Government. They candor in dealing with foreign Governments has commanded respect and confidence. Yet these remarkable powers would have been exerted almost in vain without the constant cooperation and careful administration of the Federal Government.—President Coolidge.

DECORATED.

Soon McKinney will be gaily decorated in colored electric lights, Christmas trees, holly etc. We seem to get the Christmas spirit just as soon as the town is decorated in a yuletide manner. It looks as though the city will be decorated in a more attractive manner than it was even last year.

PUBLIC APPETITE TAKES TO ICE CREAM.

Hugo Swan, Dallas marketing counselor for the Texas Ice Cream Manufacturers' association, asserts public favor has veered about so as to bring an increase of 70 per cent in the consumption of ice cream and a decrease of 45 per cent in meat eating. According to his statistics presented, sandwiches, salads, milk and ginger ale gaining favor with the public while pastry, coffee, potatoes and soup were losing favor in the period from 1917 to 1927.

FOR TEXAS SCHOOL PROGRESS.

Prof. S. M. N. Marrs, state superintendent of public instruction, proposes fifteen matters of legislation for the next legislature to act on that are worthy of earnest consideration and most of them, in our opinion, should receive favorable action. One of them is for the establishment of junior colleges by the county unit plan. As it is a very large per cent of our brightest boy and girl high school graduates discontiue their education because of the financial disability of parents to send them off to college. It is altogether possible to pive a two year college course to many such pupils by following out the course as suggested by our able state superintendent. The expense to the taxpayers would be light as compared to the benefits obtained for our future citizenship.

LOCAL BANKING ABILITY RECOGNIZED.

Thos. Johnson, a McKinney banker, has been elected director of the Dallas Joint Stock Land Bank a concern with capital stock and surplus well above the $3,000,000.00 figure and total resources many millions more. Another local banker, Howell E. Smith is Class A director of the Federal Reserve Bank of Dallas. McKinneyites are prominent in every field of endeavor and in all vocations in our state. Our bankers are not an exception to the rule.

LIFELONG LEADER CIVIC RIGHTEOUSNESS.

Eld. R. C. Horn, veteran McKinney minister, historian, writer and prohibition leader had the following interesting statement in his 83rd installment being published in the McKinney newspapers under the heading of "Records of a Busy Life," taken from his diary that he has been faithfully keeping for 50 years:

"My first speaking for prohibition was in 1887 when Joseph W. Bailey was speaking over Texas for statewide prohibition. I have been active in every local option and state-wide contest since. On February 25th, 1911, we held as convention in McKinney and on June 8th in Bonham. You know where I stand now. I predict a defeat for any party in this state or United States who nominates an auti-prohibitionist for a high office."

NOT "HIDING LIGHT UNDER BUSHEL."

Clifton Dowell, one of the four brothers owning and operating the big J. P. Dowell hardware and furniture establishment, and Wofford Thompson, courteous, capable young newspaperman on the advertising staff of the McKinney Examiner, are associated with one of the editors of this paper in formulating and putting out publicity connected with the annual holiday celebration and decoration going on in McKinney this year during the month of December. Clifton Dowell and Wofford Thompson are experts in the art of convincing publicity authorship. They will have a large part in helping to broadcast the fame of McKinney as one of the most beautifully decorated towns during the holiday season to be found in this section of the state this year. Mr Dowell is the ad writer and general publicity man for the big establishment that he and his three brothers own and conduct Our readers are therefore thoroughly familiar with his skill as a publicity man. His services is freely given in all civic progress movements for his home town and county through Chamber of Commerce, Retail Merchants Association and other activities.

"WHAT M'KINNEY MAKES MAKES M'KINNEY"

Industries like the C. R. Miller Milling Co., big cotton mill, the Collin County Mill and Elevator Company and R. F Poole Jr., Inc., garment factory are all daily sending out their products of life necessities broadcast over the state, nation and world. A waiting market gladly receives them. McKinney's name is advertised wherever these products are sold and absorbed. They help direct our many natural advantages to the attention of other manufacturers in an impressive way. A more tangible benefit in having these factories in McKinney, is the employment they afford to local labor. Cash weekly and monthly payrolls steadily flow into local trade channels and help improve local business conditions with every line. New money is brought into our banks and given circulation in a commercial way locally. We need more such mills and manufacturing plants. "What McKinney makes, truly makes McKinney."

DANCERS SHOULD PAY FOR "FIDELING".

J. W. (Will) Shepherd, prominent Plano mule man and farmer, expresses the hope that Texas voters will soon devise a more equitable tax system for building and maintaining state highways than is now in operation. He likes the legislative program as recently set forth by the East Texas Chamber of Commerce, to the effect that the traffic using the roads should bear the cost that now rests almost entirely on the backs of the farmers and farm lands. In other words, Mr. Shepherd says everybody should agree that "those who dance should always pay for the fiddling."

MRS. DAN W. SCOTT ACTIVE CHAIRMAN.

Mrs. Dan W. Scott, Red Cross nutrition committee chairman, is making a fine record in that position. She is the right hand supporter of Miss Elma S. Jones expert Red Cross nutritionist here working in our schools and city in the work of instructing on the value to health of proper diet. Our underweight and overweight children are being brought back to normalcy and thereby strengthened mentally as well as physically as students and are being developed into a hardier future citizenship. Our teachers, almost without exception, are heartily co-operating.

EAST FORK FLOOD WATERS CONTROL.

J. B. Holt of Vicksburg, Miss., is in charge of a party of Federal district engineers now at work on a survey of Red river with headquarters at Paris, Texas. Their project is a part of an auxiliary survey in connection with the proposed Mississippi flood waters control. Three tentative locations on Kiamitia and Glover rivers have been designated for reservoirs to aid in the storage of the flood waters and it is expected that others will be selected along Red river tributaries in that section. It is possible that the Mississippi flood waters control work, when it is completed, will extend into the interior and affect Collin Dallas and other counties by helping control the flood waters of East Fork and Trinity.

MANLESS STATION.

A manless power station, taking the place of from twelve to eighteen men, is now in operation by the New York Edison company, Operated electrically by an operator three miles away, it is expected to supply electric current to 300,000 families.

YOUR HOME TOWN

THREE MONTHS OF SCHOOL.

Already three months of the 1928-29 schools have passed, the three months ending with Thanksgiving. Report cards were issued all pupils Tuesday afternoon. According to Prof. J. S. Carlisle, city superintendent of schools, all parents are urged to examine the report cards of their children, sign them and have them returned to their teachers as early as convenient. "Much sickness," Prof. Carlisle says, "has prevailed throughout the month, and many of the grades will be lower likely than they otherwise would be under different conditions. Several of our teachers have been sick in the high school as well as the ward schools. But we hope that another week will see the students practically all back in school, and doing their usual good work. The second semester will begin on January 21, 1829, at which time, new classes will be started in all the different grades. The mid-term graduating class this year is small while the regular class, which graduates in May, will number more than 100. The Christmas holidays, Dec. 21, and end on Monday, Dec. 31."

OUR ENROLLMENT.

Enrollment of McKinney school as the end of the third month, ending Nov. 30, is given out as follows by Prof. Carlisle:

Boyd High school, 313 pupils; L. A. Scott Junior High school, 409.
Greer school, 289.
Hill school, 343.
Finch school, 273.
Webb school, 167.
Total high school enrollment, 722.
Total ward school enrollment, 1,072.

Negro school enrollment, 240.

This makes the total enrollment in McKinney public schools, at the end of the third month, 2,043 pupils. At the end of the first month the enrollment was 1,875. At the end of the second month, the enrollment was 1970 and, as above stated, the enrollment at the end of the third month is 2,034. You'll have to go a long ways to find a better city school system than boasted of right here in old McKinney.

W. O. W.

McKinney's fraternal orders are progressive, alert and ever on the lookout for ways they can help their community. The Woodmen of the World lodge recently met and elected officers who will guide the destinies of that lodge for another year. It is a mighty fine set of officers, which we are publishing:

John B. McKinney, council commander.
Roy Sanders, advisor lieutenant.
Dink Meadors, banker.
R. E. Beasley, clerk.
G. W. Lepeard, escort.
J. R. Travillion, watchman.
E. B. McTee, sentry.
Managers, J. L. Hitchcock, three years; Q. L. Bridges, 2 years.
W. H. Stout, musician.

JNO. S. COTTON.

Scout Executive Jno. S. Cotton was in McKinney Wednesday, busy as usual looking after scouting affairs and interests. Mr. Cotton has many warm friends and well-wishers in McKinney who are always glad to see him on his frequent visits to our city. Come in and see us every time you are in McKinney, Friend Cotton.

STAY IN McKINNEY.

No, it is not necessary for you to leave McKinney to do any part of your Christmas shopping, because our merchants have complete stocks of all gifts you might possibly desire. A visit to our stores will convince you of that fact.

ALL DOLLED UP.

McKinney is "all dolled up" so to speak for the arrival of Old Santa Claus and the Yuletide season. The show windows are beautiful mirrors of what you will find on the inside, long strips of pretty colored electric lights are to be found around the square and a block or two from the square, small Christmas trees are in front of downtown business houses, electrically lighted. Yes, folks, McKinney is decorated in a most bewitching manner. Visit the downtown section at night the first opportunity you have and you will be surprised at the beauty of the scene.

THE SHOW WINDOWS.

The show windows, at night, too, present an enchanting scene. These show windows on the square and in each direction from the square are attractive and becoming, causing one's attention to be called even a block or two away.

GOOD VERONA FARM COUPLE LIKES OUR PAPER

H. A. Alder of the Verona community renews his paper for another year in advance. Mr. Alder and wife are a fine couple who get their mail on Route 1, Blue Ridge, but their farm is located near Verona, about sixteen miles northeast of McKinney.

This editor has long known them an dappreciated their friendship and patronage.

Editorial Clippings.

GLARING HEADLIGHTS.

One of the more important causes of automobile accidents is from glaring headlights at night, according to the American Automobile association. It is declared, according to investigations in a number of cities, that from three to five per cent of all night time accidents are due to dazzling lights.

The driver of a car is nearly helpless, when some automobile approaches him with its lamps focused too high. He is often unable to see a thing ahead of him until this glare stops. If a pedestrian is standing on the side of the road, the driver may be wholly unable to see him under such conditions, and he either has to stop his car, or take a chance and plunge ahead into the brilliant dazzle created by the approaching car.

It is remarked that in garages many workment will seize hold of the headlamps of a car when they want to move it around, which tends to wrench these lamps out of position.

There are not police officers enough in Texas to make a constant inspection of these lights. Automobile owners should be expected to attend to this thing at regular intervals. Thos that fail to have this equipment carefully attended to, have a lack of willingness to co-operate for the public safety that is likely totell heavily against them, in case they become involved in an accident.

Automobile accidents have become one of the worst menaces of our life. Almost all of them are unnecessary and could be avoided by courtesy and regard for the safety of the public. The people should not tolerate the heedless way in which many people handle their cars, and failure to keep their headlights well regulated is one of the worst of their faults.—Courier-Times.

IMPORTANT TO LANDOWNERS.

An Examiner man having a little business over at the Temple of Justice, met up with his good friend, L. T. Gay who was, as usual, quite busy. But not too busy to show us some of the work he is doing. Mr. Gay has been for several months working on the new plat system, preparing a map showing every tract of land in Collin county, it's boundary line, etc. All so systematically arranged that no piece of land will escape assessment and its just share of taxation and no man need have fear of not locating his land properly when transfers are to be made by sale or otherwise. Mr. Gay having for four years served as tax assessor is well acquainted with all this land and is one of the neatest draftsmen we have ever met. His work is like copy plate. He is an expert mathematician, and understands surveying, etc. Mr. Gay is doing some fine and much needed work for the county. And the Commissioners' court did well in employing him. For as stated he is qualified in every way, thus being able to complete a satisfactory job.—McKinney Examiner.

ERA GREAT PROSPERITY.

Mr. Hoover will enter favorable auspices. The nation on the whole is prosperous and at peace. He assumes office backed by a heavy popular and electoral majority. The party of which he is now head controls both houses of congress, and these presumably are prepared to accept his leadership and be guided by his suggestions. Undoubtedly he will stress domestic and international co-operation by the elimination of friction and by constructive policies. He will favor, as Jefferson put it, "Peace, commerce and honest friendship with all nations." The United tates may well anticipate under his administration an era of great prosperity and the advancement of good feeling at home and abroad.—Dallas News.

BETTER BOOSTER THAN PROPHET.

The Sherman Daily Democrat says: "Dong Bagwill, who writes sports for the McKinney Courier-Gazette seems to look at the Greenville-McKinney battle Thursday through rose-colored glasses. Hear him "As a little reminder tothe haughty Greenville aggregation—which most likely will get some of its tail feathers plucked Thursday, local fans are maintaining that the championship of District 5 is not won yet. If McKinney defeats Greenville (which they play to do), and if Denison trounces Sherman (which, by the way, is certainly a probability), then the championship of District 5 will remain in McKinney, just as it did in 1926."

Well, Don's prediction didn't quite come true. For Greenville's bunch ran over our boys Thursday. But that will not dampen Don's loyal enthusiasm for his home team, nor cause him to put on green glasses. Don has made the rounds with the boys all this season and no bunch ever had a finer booster. Better luck for you Don, next time.—McKinney Examiner.

LITTLE MISS JOY HOPE AMONG SICK OF CITY

Little Miss Joy Hope has been bedfast for several days with a persistent attack of the flu. She is the little daugher of Mr. and Mrs. O. L. Hope. Her mother, who underwent a serious operation a couple of months ago, is improving and now able to be up and about her home some.

Roy Reed of the North Side Drug store is ill at his home on North Kentucky street.

WIFE KILLED, HUSBAND DIES, AT FORT WORTH

Fort Worth, Texas, Dec. 8.—Mrs. Ruth Landis Owens, 19, was found sitting in an automobile about 10:30 o'clock Friday morning on the old Granbury road, about five miles south of Benbroon, with a bullet wound in her head that probably caused instant death. Her young husband, Tom B. Owens, Jr., about 17, whom she married here four months ago, was lying beside the car with a bullet wound in his temple. He died seven hours later.

"Death from gunshot wounds, apparently inflicted by Tom B. Owens, Jr., was the verdict of Justice H. B. Balch in the case of the young wife.

Mart Winn Reeves, law student in the University of Oklahoma at Norman, Okla., has been confined to his home here the past few days on account of illness. However, he is improving and able to be out some now. He is a son of Hon. and Mrs. I. E. Reeves.

Herman Snider was a visitor in Dallas yesterday.

Little Miss Shirley Scott and mother, Mrs. T. M. Scott, have both been suffering with influenza for the past few days.

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CHIEF M'KINNEY SAYS PUBLIC HAS FULL RIGHT OF WAY

Much discussion has been heard concerning the rights of pedestrians —especially since the advent of the automobile which has made the safety of pedestrians while crossing streets more perilous than before.

That pedestrians have a right to walk on any part of the street, and not merely at the street crossing or intersection, was brought out by Chief J. S. McKinney today, while in conversation with a representative of this paper.

Among other things, Chief McKinney said that the streets belong to the public, pedestrians have the right to walk on any part of the street and driving a car is a privilege that may be revoked.

To substantiate what he said he showed us a story from the pen of Dr. J. B. Cranfill of Dallas, in the Dallas News, and we are publishing a part of it which will show the decision handed down by the United States Supreme court. The story follows:

WALKING IS RIGHT AND DRIVING IS PRIVILEGE

Referring to my recent article in your columns concerning the rights of pedestrians, feel that it will be of interest to cite a recent decision of the United States Supreme court covering this very question.

A pedestrian was struck by an automobile while crossing the street between two streets, not at a cross walk. The pedestrian sued the company which owned the automobile and secured a verdict for $15,000. The company appealed to the United States Supreme court on the ground that the cross walk was for the use of pedestrians and if the pedestrian used any other part of the street he did so at his own risk. The verdict rendered by the highest court reads:

"The streets belong to the public; pedestrians have the right to walk on any part of the street or roadway and that right can not be taken away. Driving a car is a privilege that may be revoked at any time; therefore it becomes incumbent upon the driver of an automobile to see to it that he does not strike the pedestrian. The appeal is dismissed."

GIBSON CALDWELL NEW COUNTRY CLUB PRESIDENT

Gibson Caldwell, well-known McKinney business man, has been elected president of the Hill Crest Country club for the coming year to succeed A. H. Eubanks. Henry W. Warden was elected vice-president. John D. Reese was re-elected secretary-treasurer. The directors, elected at a meeting of the stockholders recently, are Glen Stiff, F. D. Perkins, A. M. Scott and John Reese. Mr. Caldwell and Mr. Eubanks are holdover directors.

The financial report showed all indebtedness paid and the club in healthy, prosperous condition. Renewed interest is being manifested in the club. At the recent meeting of the stockholders, Mr. Eubanks, retiring president, and Mr. Reese, were given a rising vote of thanks for their successful administration of the club's affairs during the last year.

A number of holiday events are being planned and Mr. Caldwell will announce his committees shortly.

DIMPLE FAY VICKERY DAUGHTER, MR. AND MRS. E. L. VICKERY, DIES

Dimple Fay Vickery, 1 year and 8 months old, died at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Vickery, at 6:45 o'clock this morning. She had been sick several days with pneumonia. The little girl is survived by her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Vickery, and four brothers and one sister, all of this city. Funeral services will be held at the family residence, Hunt and Graves streets, conducted by Rev. T. F. Hoffman, pastor of the North Baptist church, at 10 o'clock Saturday morning. The Harris Funeral home had charge of funeral arrangements.

GIBSON CALDWELL MAKES TRIP TO HAVANA, CUBA

Gibson Caldwell, popular and capable manager of the Collin County Mill & Elevator Co. has gone on business try for this big local milling concern, to Havana, Cuba. At Galveston he was joined by Chas. E. Newman, manager of the Texas Star Flour mill at that place, and formerly salesmanager of the Collin County Mill & Elevator Co. in this city.

Mr. Caldwell will be gone about ten days or two weeks. At New Orleans they were scheduled to take a bota to Havana.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Furr who live in the Rhea Mills community are the proud parents of a 8 1-2 pound boy. The young son has been named Jack Harold.

RELOCATING STATE HIGHWAYS TO SAVE MILEAGE AND PAVING COST ADVOCATED BY EXPERT

Texas' 18,000 miles of state highways can be shortened 5 per cent or 900 miles, conservatively speaking, by relocating State Highway Engineer Gibb Gilchrist told a recent meeting at Laredo of the American section.

"Basing the construction of 900 miles at $25,000 per mile, we have the enormous sum of $22,500 as a saving by reason of location," said Mr. Gilchrist. "It would be much more economical to save this money on highways and put it into lateral roads than to allow improper location to prevail.

"Any community has the right to expect and should have highways or lateral roads, but do they have the right to demand that cardinal state highway traffic, carrying from ten to fifteen times the traffic that would originate in their community, be diverted through such a community at great cost?

"My opinion is that in the location of state highways we should strive as far as possible, to secure for our cardinal roads the most direct practical location, giving due regard to the origin of traffice using the road and working out such location together with the lateral and sub-cardinals that the travel of the average vehicle over such highway will be at a minimum. I think that every town of any importance in Texas should be served by a state highway or lateral road and that location should be considered chiefly on the economic basis of travel and distance of travel.

"For example, the purely rural road should follow the land lines and serve as many farms as possible; the lateral or sub-cardinal, road should link the smaller communities leading to a cardinal state highway, while the cardinal road should be located and built on the most direct and practical route and every mile saved is worth saving.

"There are many communities in Texas from which originate on the cardinal highway from 100 to 200 vehicles per day but in order to serve such communities the cardinal state road is deflected two or three miles out of its course, requiring from 2,000 to 3,000 vehicles per day to travel the extra mileage.

"We are now in the Texas Highway department spending entirely too much money revising bad location, revising grade line and either widening right of way at considerable expense or moving the roads to a location where right of way can be secured.

"I think we should begin right now to lay the foundation of a great road system of Texas and we should lay it and base it on the principle of the greatest economy to the greatest number of citizens of Texas. Such a program requires fearless devotion to it and perhaps some delay, but I am committed to it because I believe that the vast majority of the people of Texas want their road system laid out on the plans commensurate with the size and dignity of this great state."

CARL L. POOL OF SHERMAN VISITOR HERE

Carl L. Pool, president and general manager of the Pool Manufacturing company, of Sherman and stockholder in the R. F. Pool, Jr., manufacturing company of McKinney, was a business visitor here, conferring with local directors of the McKinney plant. He expressed gratification over the showing of the local plant, for which plans are under way for increasing the capital stock from $25,000 to $50,000 and doubling the plant's capacity. The local plant is manufacturing neckwear, underwear, pajamas, handkerchiefs, and the demand for their products has exceeded their output.

M'KINNEY FOLKS EXCEL THEM ALL

One of the representatives of the Daily Courier-Gazette and Weekly Democrat-Gazette heard a fine compliment on the people of our city. Harry Hatcher, local representative of Orgatone, who has headquarters at the North Side Drug store, said he had been representative for his company in several towns in Texas and other states, but that the people of McKinney were the most friendly and cordial folks of anywhere that he had ever been. Harry is a mighty fine fellow himself, and has made numerous friends in our city.

BRISTOLS GROCERY SOLICITES YOUR HOLIDAY TRADE

Jno. S. Bristol, proprietor of Bristol's grocery store located on North Church street, is using our advertising columns to solicit a portion of your holiday trade. He has in addition to an up-to-date clean line of stape and fancy groceries, also a stock of candies, fruits, nuts, school supplies and also has a filling station to supply gasoline and oil for your auto. He is inviting a portion of your patronage.

Oll Stiff has been ill for several days at his home on West Lamar street.

DR. AND MRS. EDWIN BURTON RETURN TO N. Y

Dr. and Mrs. Edwin Weisman Burton of New York, who have been on a visit here to Dr. Burton's parents, Dr. and Mrs. Edwin Lee Burton, returned to New York Saturday. Dr. Burton was born and reared in McKinney. This was Mrs. Burton's first visit to Texas and McKinney. Dr. Burton's many friends here were greatly pleased to see him again, and fell muchly in love with his young wife. They were the recipients of quite a number of social functions during their short stay in our city.

M'KINNEY MAN NAMED MASONIC GRAND ORATOR

Wallace Hughston, well-know lawyer and Masonic worker of McKinney, has been appointed grand orator of the grand lodge of Texas Ancient Free and Accepted Masons. The appointment was made by the incoming grand master, Frank Hartgraves, of Menard. Mr. Hughston has been a leader in Masonic activities of Collin county for many years, having served as worshipful master of the Plano lodge, district deputy grand master for Collin county and has also served several years on important committees of the Texas Grand lodge. He has attended practically every grand lodge for the last twenty years or more.

NORTH SIDE DRUG STORE DECORATED FOR CHRISTMAS

Among the many McKinney places of business to decorate for the Christmas holidays is the North Side Drug store, Dyer & Jones, owners and proprietors. Lee Hedgcoxe & Son, florists, did the decorating and the North Side is the recipient of numerous compliments on the attractive arrangement of their store for the Christmas holiday season. The management invites you to visit their store and see their decorations and, also, to look over their excellent gifts for Christmas giving.

ROY LARGENT MAKING UP CHARITY FUND

Roy Largent is making up the Elks' charity fund among the members of the local lodge. This is the twenty-fourth year that Mr. Largent has made up this fund, and the total amount runs into many thousands of dollars, all of which the Elks have used in their charity work.

Again during the holidays the Elks will, as is their annual custom, dispense charity to the destitute of the city. They are assisted in this work by the Halcyon club, whofwyf work by the young ladies of the Halcyon club, who canvass the city getting the names of those who are in want, and seeing that all the little children whom Santa would not otherwise visit are remembered.

T. P. & L. CO. SENDS FIRE BOYS PRAISE AND DONATION

In a letter to Chief J. S. McKinney the Texas Power & Light Co. sends the McKinney Fire department a donation, and also commends the work of the department. Their letter follows:

J. S. McKinney, fire chief, McKinney Fire department, McKinney, Texas.

Dear Mr. McKinney:

This is to express to you our sincere appreciation for the co-operation of your fire department in saving our electric light pole during the recent fire which destroyed Mrs. Cockrell's home on Chestnut street.

We feel that the McKinney Fire department is an institution that the citizens of McKinney can well be proud of, and from the expressions of appreciation as heard by the writer during his few months' residence in McKinney, we feel they are duly appreciated by the citizenship of McKinney.

We are enclosing check for $5.00 to be used in any way the boys may see fit.

Again thanking you for your co-operation, we are

Yours very truly
H. S. WARE, Manager,
Texas Power & Light Co.

City Commissioner A. M. Scott, Attorney W. R. Abernathy, F. B. Pope, Dr. Ben Largent, Dr. J. Knight of this city and Hon. John W. Pope and Ludd Crockett of Dallas left Friday for their annual hunt down near Fowlerton, Texas. They will be gone some two weeks.

M'KINNEY PEOPLE HEARD LECTURE NOTED EDITOR

Dr. J. A. Old and wife and Walter B. Wilson and wife heard William Allen White, the internationally known Kansas editor, deliver his address in McFarland hall at the Southern Methodist university, Dallas; Thursday night under auspices of the Belo Foundation Lectureship. Mr. White's subject was "The Experiences of a Country Editor."

His address was heard by a large audience, among whom were many newspaper men of North Texas. He was introduced by G. B. Dealey, president of the Belo & Co., publishers of the Dallas News, the Evening Journal and the Semi-Weekly Farm News.

Mr. White spoke largely of his own personal experiences, which are typical of the profession of country juronalism everywhere. His address contained a vein of humor throughout that frequently convulsed his audience with laughter.

LEGION MAKING GOOD HEADWAY IN REHEARSALS

With tonight's rehearsal completed, the cast in the American legion minstrel of 1928 will have completed one of the two weeks' of practice, under the direction of Larry Blanchette of the Chris Ming Production company, in charge of the shfow.

To say that splendid progress is being made would be putting it mildly. "I am highly pleased with the manner in which the cast is taking hold of their parts," Mr. Blanchette said. He says that next week's rehearsals will put all the cast in splendid condition to present what will no doubt prove to be the best and highly entertaining minstrel shows ever before presented in this city.

Regular rehearsals were held this afternoon and will be held tonight. The girls are practicing in the afternoon and the boys at night. Miss Inez Lackey, one of the most accomplished musicians of this and other cities in this vicinity, is furnishing the music for all rehearsals.

Dates for the presentation of the minstrel will be Monday and Tuesday nights, Dec. 17 and 18.

M'KINNEY MAN IS NAMED MASONIC DEPUTY MASTER

Thomas L. Bailey of McKinney has been named district deputy grand master for Collin county Masons by Frank Hartgraves, incoming grand master of Texas grand lodge. Mr. Bailey recently moved to McKinney from Farmersville and is deputy district clerk of Collin county. For many years he has been active in Masonic work.

HENRY C. BARLOW ELECTED AT CHICAGO MEETING

Henry C. Barlow, prominent farmer-stockman of Rock Hill, ten miles west of McKinney, was elected president of the American Hampshire Sheep Breeders' association at the annual stockholders' meetin held in connection with the International Live Stock show at Chicago, and which has just been concluded. Mr. Barlow returned home Friday from Chicago, where he attended both meetings.

Barlow's election to the presidency of the Hampshire sheepmen is the first time this honor has been given to the Southwest. He is the youngest man ever to serve on the board of directors and also the youngest president ever electd by th body. He succeeds Mrs. Minnie Miller of Iowa.

The association represents the Hampshire sheep breeders of the entire United States and Barlow is being congratulated on the distinctive honor, which was conferred on hom by his fellow sheep breeders.

He conducts the Collinsbrook farms west of McKinney and his farm is a model, which is frequently visited by live stock experts seeking information on his successful methods. His methods of scientific culture and operation of his farms have paid him profits year after year. He is a graduate of the Texas A. & M. college, a past president of the Collin County Live Stock association, and now secretary of the Texas Shorthorn Cattle Breeders' association. He has been in demand for several years as a judge at state fairs and has judged animals at the State Fair of Texas, the Louisiana Stte far and numerous other expositions this year. He served as superintendent of live stock divisions at the Southwestern Fat Stock show at Fort Worth for several years.

Pat Kindle attended the Greenville-Marshal football game in Greenville, Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Rickerson have moved from McKinney, Route 5, in the Higgins community, to Allen, Route 1, northwest of Allen. They ask that we change the address of their Weekly Democrat-Gazette to their new home.

FIRST MEETING METHODIST PASTORS M'KINNEY DISTRICT

The first meeting of the Methodist pastors of the McKinney district was held at Richardson on Monday, Dec. 3. There are twenty-seven pastors in the district, and all were present but four. One of these was detained at home by the illness of himself and family, and two by funerals.

Plans for the year's work were discussed and representatives of various interests of the church addressed the meeting regarding the program of the church for the year.

The reports showed that the district made considerable progress during the conference year just closed and the meeting was characterized by considerable enthusiasm and determination to make this year a banner year.

The District conference is to meet with First church, McKinney, this this year, and the date was fixed for April 24 and 25.

The annual Missionary institute was fixed to meet at Garland on Monday, January 7, 1929. At this meeting some of the outstanding leaders of the work of missions of the church will be present and address the group and plans will be outlined for the annual missionary cultivation and study period to be observed during the months of January and February.

December was designated as Orphanage month, and during this month the needs of the Texas Methodist orphanage will be presented to every congregation and an offering takn for same.

Many interesting talks were made regarding plans for successful presentation of the program of the church for the year, and for the successful accomplishment of the full program which the church has inaugurated for the year 1928-29.

The following were appointed as delegates to the International Missionary conference to be held at Memphis, Tenn., January 1 to 3, 1928; Rev. J. A. Old, city; Rev. C. B. Fielder, Farmersville; Rev. H. S. Porter, Garland; Herbert Axe, Garland; E. M. Hastings, Duncanville; Mrs. R. G. Mood, city.

Ex-officio delegates from the district are: Rev. R. G. Mood, city; Mrs. Frank Emerson, City; Spencer S. Spearman, Melissa; W. S. Spotts, Richardson.

The next monthly meeting of the pastors will be held at Garland in connection with the district missionary institute on Monday, January 7.

Rev. R. G. Mood, presiding elder, was in the chair during the meeting. He is getting fine co-operation in his leadership for the church throughout the district.

M'KINNEY BOY HOLDS RESPONSIBLE POSITION WEST TEXAS

Gene Martin, who runs the Martin Barber shop on the south side of the square, was in and subscribed for the weekly for 3 months for his son, Homer Martin, of Big Spring. Homer is one of McKinney's most energetic young men, who holds a responsible position with the post office at Big Spring, Texas. Homer isa mighty fine fellow, and has lots of friends in McKinney and elsewhere.

DOBSON & CO. BUY TALKINGTON & PAYSINGER STOCK OF GOODS

Dobson & Co., south side square, announce the purchase of a fire salvage stock of Talkington Paysinger. The stock was damaged in a fire which wrecked the grocery store Monday night. C. M. Granbury is manager of the Dobson & Co. store here, and is a clever and accommodating business man whose store is enjoying a splendid business.

Mrs. J. G. St. Clair and pretty little daughter, Hope, of Pike are weekend visitors at the home of her parents Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Hope in this city.

Mrs. John Johnson, who has been quite ill for some days, is better today, much to the pleasure of her many friends in the city.

Andrew Lee Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Lee Furr of Dallas, is visiting his aunt and uncle Mr. and Mrs. Kall Woods of this city.

Kall Woods was a visitor in Dallas Friday.

Hunt Bolby was a visitor in Plano Friday.

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VETERAN GRAYBILL CITIZEN VISITOR IN M'KINNEY

We have a very interesting visit Saturday from our old Collin county pioneer citizen and prominent Graybill farmer friend, W. R. Webb, who lives six and one-half miles northeast of Anna. He renewed his Weekly Democrat-Gazette subscription and also renewed for the Semi-Weekly Farm News at clubbing rate with our paper.

Mr. Webb is one of the most widely known and interesting North Collin older settlers.

He was born in Monroe county, Mo., where he lived until 13 years old, when he came to Texas with his widowed mother, two brothers and three sisters in the year 1875.

They first settled in the Warden community, northeast of Weston, and he has continued to live near the North Collin-South Grayson line ever since. His present farm and home is two miles south of the Grayson line.

He married Miss Gussie Elliott at Elmont, Oct. 24, 1889. She was the daughter of Rev. David Elliott, a pioneer Baptist preacher. For thirty-nine years they have lived most happily together.

Their five living children are now all gone from home and Mr. and Mrs. Webb find themselves alone again as they were when they first embarked upon their married life.

Their children are Byrd Webb, who holds a responsible position with the Federal Reserve bank at Dallas; Carey E. Webb, head bookkeeper of the Dallas National bank; Weldon Webb, who graduated in May of this year from the Farmersville High school, and is now holding a position with Sears-Roebuck company in Dallas; Mrs. W. W. Judd, and Mrs. Mark Reynolds, both of Dallas.

Mr. Webb's mother was a daughter of Rumsey Saling, a North Collin pioneer who settled in the Warden community near Weston in 1870.

W. R. Webb is a prominent Baptist, and has been a Mason for thirty years. He was made a Mason by Mantua lodge at Van Alstyne, but transferred his membership to New Albany lodge, No. 656, at Westminster. He has been tiler for twenty-one years of Albany lodge, and during that long period has missed only one regular meeting, and one called meeting. This faithfulness in attendance can be appreciated more when it is stated that the lodge sometime met as often as twenty-eight times in a single year. He is also a Royal Arch Mason, and belongs to the chapter at Van Alstyne.

Mr. Webb is one of the most widely known and highly esteemed old North Collin citizens. He always stands for the best in society, and moral and civic good for his country.

He and his good wife have given the world five children who are now honored, useful men and women in their respective homes and circles. Each of them is a worthy example of the product of a real Christian American home, whose parents, by example and precept, shaped and trained them up into characters after their own exemplary type and similitude of noblest citizenship.

INTERNATIONAL HONORS TAKEN BY TEXAS LIVESTOCK

Chicago, Ill., Dec. 6.—At the International Live Stock exposition Wednesday the Lillard Stock farms of Arlington, Texas, won first in the breeding Duroc Jersey swine senior yearling boar contest, and second in the junior yearling sow division.

The Singleton farms of Midlothian, Texas, won second place in both the class for the best three Shorthorn bulls owned by an exhibitor in the breeding cattle division and the best aged Shorthorn herd. A blue ribbon for junior Shorthorn cow in the breeding cattle division was awarded to the Singleton farms for Edellyn Missie 3d.

The Singleton farm also won second place in the breeding Shorthon aged herd contest.

Teacher Flies to State Meet at San Antonio

A movement is on to arrange for an airport in McKinney. Many people hardly realize what it would be for our city in the way of convenience and interest and later in a commercial way. Hhe following little item from the Denton Record Chronicle is to the point:

It's still rather new here—this flying from place to place even though Denton has had its new airport in operation since early October—and when a few had gathered at the air field Thursday afternoon it was quite exciting to see a large plane about to land and simultaneously a taxi appear on the scene, from which alighted an attractive young lady who stepped from the taxi into the plane and off it flew southward. Questioners ascertained that the young lady was Miss Sarah Lee of C. I. A., and that she was joining a party of friends en route to San Antonio to the State teacher's meeting, and was to stop en route to spend the night in Houston, resuming the trip Friday morning. Some few have taken the air route here, but this is the first time a teacher has chosen that kind of modern transportation to attend the meeting of her profession."

Lee McCoy is a visitor in Dallas today.

Forty-Seven Years Ago In Collin

R. H. B. in McKinney Enquirer, Oct. 17, 1881

The editor has temporarily in his possession an interesting old scrap book kept during her lifetime by Mrs. R. H. Brown of Plano, mother of Hon. George P. Brown of this city. In this scrap boob, Mrs. Brown, who has been deceased for several years, preserved a number of pronted articles, obituaries and other current news items of her time. Among them are a number of letters written to the McKinney Enquirer at McKinney by her husband, who, for several years, was county commissioner from the Plano precinct. He was a spicy writer and dealt mostly with local topics and current news events of from forty to fifty years ago. The following letter is one of them, taken from Mrs. Brown's scrapbook:

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Plano Is Growing.

Plano, Texas, Oct. 17, 1881.

Editor Enquirer: The health of our neighborhood is good, weather beautiful and warm. Grass is good and stock doing well. Wheat and oats look fine—a large crop of wheat is being sown.

Cotton loaded with half-grown bolls—two weeks more warm weather and another half-bale to the acre.

Some six or seven brick buildings are going up in Plano. Twenty new frame buildings all gone.

I had the good luck to be present yesterday evening at the opening service of Major Penn's evangelistic meeting at Rowlett Creek church. I was much pleased with the songs he sung, and trust much good may be done.

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My Old W. Va. Home.

Since my last letter I have traveled over a good deal of land. On the evening of the 23rd of September on the eastbound train, at 6 o'clock, I started on a round-trip. Next morning I found myself eating breakfast at Texarkana. Then to Memphis by way of Little Rock. Then to Chattanooga; there I saw the largest body of men I have ever looked upon in my life—a reunion of soldiers. A battle was fought there on Lookout mountay 17 years previous to that day. I was told there were canes cut from off the mountain and sold for one dollar apiece, and each soldier purchased one and that money was taken for the purpose of erecting a church where the battle was fought. It was a Methodist church.

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Of Hallowed Memories.

From there to Knoxville, then to Bristol, and then to Dublin. There, I left the railroad and went across to Pearisburg—a town named for my grandfather Pearis. I visited his grave. He died in 1816, at the age of 60 years.

I went to my mother's old home, when she was a girl—went into the old stone spring-house, the smokehouse, the same ground over which she had stepped so often all round in the yard, and soon I found the tears fast chasing each other down my face. But such scenes will bring tears to the hardest of hearts. I slept in my mother's room upstairs, which had been built nearly one hundred years.

From there to Princeton (about sixty miles) where I met many friends. Crossed the clover bottom and into my father's old orchard. I cut me a walking cane, a watersprout, from a tree my father set out some fifty years ago. I looked at the old stone chimneys, and upstairs in that old house I spent one night. It was a source of exquisite pleasure to me to stroll where I had romped and climbed when a youth, and up under the rock cliffs where I used to feed the pigs in cold winter. I gathered up some little rocks from the yard around, brouth them home. They are in my room, on the table now. But I pass from these scenes perhaps never to visit them again.

"I visited the old church-yard.
And took some flowers to strew.
Upon the graves of —those I loved,
Just thirty years ago."

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Homeward Bound.

And from here I went to Hinton, on the Chesapeake & Ohio railroad. Then to Portsmouth, then to Cincinnati and thence to St. Louis and on to Sedalia, Mo. Here I met a young man from Collin county, J. G. Matthews. Jim says he is learning the telegraph alphabet, and comes home Christmas to marry. I left there, and back to dear old Collin.

After traveling through some eighteen states I find Texas up, if not ahead. There is a scope of country this side and beyond Chattanooga, Tenn., destitute of grain and grass, with the exception I find enough for supplies.

If I had my choice I would rather live in West Virginia than any place I ever saw. They have more nice things to eat.

ROBERT H. BROWN.

EAGLE WITH 86-INCH SPREAD CAUGHT IN BORDERA COUNTY

Kerrville, Texas, Dec. 6.—An unusual way to deal with a large eagle that had been killing his lambs was employed by W. B. Watson when he caught the huge bird in a steel trap baited with a lamb carcass. The eagle had a wing spread of 86 inches, and was caught on Winans creek, Bandera county, and sent to Kerrville for mounting.

W. R. Hill of Dallas was a visitor in the city.

MAJOR DIXON (COL.) ALL SMILES TODAY; LOST CAR FOUND

Major Dixon, janior and trusted colored employe of the R. & R. Ritz and Pope theaters, is all smiles today. And there's a reason for his happiness for his car, stolen in Dallas Sunday night, has been found.

Officers in Dallas notified him early today that his car had been recovered, and it was only a very short time until he was on his way to bring it back home.

Major went down to Dallas Sunday night, parked his car on Elm street, and went on his way about the city. When he returned, about two hours later, he found his car had been stolen. He notified officers that night, who went to work on the case and, as above stated, found it last night.

Major is one of the best-known colored residents of our city. He has been a faithful and trusted employe of the R. & R. theaters for the past ten or twelve years, and he is always found at his accustomed place of duty day and night. Since his car was stolen, Major has been on the "down and out" list, but he resumed his natural self today, when Dallas officers notified him his car had been found.

When Major first bought his car, he parked it a block or two away from the business district. "That car just doesn't like to go downtown," Major confided when questioned as to why he never drove it downtown.

ERNEST L. JONES DIES AT SHERMAN

Sherman, Texas, Dec. 6.—Ernest L. Jones, 67, prominent merchant of Sherman, died Wednesday afternoon after a long illness. Funeral arrangements will be announced later. Mr. Jones was the son of Dr. James Jones and Ann Elizabeth Jones, and was born in West Milford, Randolph county, Virginia, on March 5, 1865. Dr. Jones was then practicing medicine in Randolph county.

In 1887 Walter and Ernest Jones came to Sherman with their mother following the death of their father. Mr. Jones was married to Miss Maggy Ely, daughter of Captain and Mrs. E. L. Ely, in 1895. Mr. Jones was educated in the public schools of Sherman, chiefly in night schools.

The two brothers went into business as partners in the Walter C. Jones & Co., dry goods store more than forty years ago. Mr. Jones had extensive property interests in Sherman, aside from his interest in the store. He was a member of the Central Presbyterian church.

Mr. Jones is survived by his wife, a son, Ernest Lee Jones, Jr., now in the University of Virginia; three aunts, Mrs. A. D. Bass of Sherman, Mrs. W. P. Wood of Shawnee, Okla., and Mrs. Laura Bass of Clifton; the following cousins, Miss Nettie Bass, Tom Bass and Bob Bass of Sherman; Hocker Wood, Roy Wood, Percival Wood, Ralph Bass and Kendall Bass; his brother and business partner, Walter C. Jones.

TEXAS FOX HUNTERS MEETING AT JASPER

Jasper, Texas, Dec. 6.—The convention of the Texas Fox Hunters' association is now in session here. The fair grounds have been tendered as a camp site and are covered with hunters and their dogs, who have convened from every section of the state.

Among those present are Dr. C. O. Hook, president of the association, of Fort Worth; Cone Johnson of Tyler, Judge Schout of Longview, the Rev. B. B. Crimm of Marshall, Carter Hart of Kountze, Dick Elliott of Ranger, J. W. Elliott of Mexia and S. H. Bell of Deport.

The Jasper Chamber of Commerce and Jasper County Fair association are hosts to the convention.

Glasgow.—Mrs. Jane Grallan was arrested for bigamy two days after she married her husband's brother.

SIMPSON-FELL NO. 3 PROVES GAS FIELD IN GRAYSON CO

Pottsboro.—Nine feet in a gas sand, with the bottom of the hole at 879 feet, the Simpson-Fell No. 3 test will be developed as a commercial gasser, Leonard Burnett, field supervisor for the company, said Wednesday morning.

While a test of the pressure at 7 o'clock Tuesday night showed a production of five million feet of gas, the well's production capacity could not be accurately estimated.

With gas production in the No. 3 well, the Simpson-Fell Oil company of Ardmore will begin immediately on a drilling campaign and, according to a statement given out by Harold B. Fell, president of the company, several days ago, the area will be drilled not only for gas but for oil.

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DISTRICT COURT

Hon F. E. Wilcox, Judge.
Halsell S. Davis, Clerk.
Tom L. Bailey, Chief Deputy.
Jewel E. Abernathy, County Attorney.
W. Clarence Dowdy, Assistant.

New Suits.

Mary Sapp vs. Will Sapp; Divorce.

P. R. Harris vs. G. S. McDonald; Suit on notes.

P. R. Harris vs. Citizens State Bank of Princeton; Garnishee, Garnishment.

Farmers State Bank of Cleveland vs. M. L. Mallow; Debt.

C. T. Tatum vs. Era Johnson; Suit on note.

COUNTY COURT

Hon. A. M. Wolford, Judge.
Miss Minnie Burrage, Clerk.
Paul Rike, Chief Deputy.

Pleas of Guilty

Richard Artman, charged with theft, fined $5.00 and cost, amounting to $30.05, and sentenced to 100 days in jail.

Richard Artman, charged with theft, fined $5.00 and cost amounting to $30.05, and sentenced to twenty days in jail.

Richardman Artman, charged with theft, fined $5.00 and cost, amounting to $28.70, and sentenced to twenty days in jail.

H. Butler, charged with aggravated assault, fined $5.00 and cost amounting to $22.35, and sentenced to thirty days in jail.

C. H. Adams, charged with theft, fined $5.00 and cost, amounting to $27.05, and sentenced to one day in jail.

Charlie Hill, charged with swindling in two cases, fined $5.00 and cost amounting to $41.30 in one case and $37.20 in the other case. A sentence of five days in jail in each case was imposed by the Judge.

Tobe Norris, charged with gathering pecans on posted property, trial by Jury, verdict of guilty, fined $5.00 and cost amounting to $35.40.

Joe Hicks (col.) charged with firing gun into private residence, fine $5.00 and cost, amounting to $37.25.

Joe Hicks, charged with carrying pistol, fined $100.00 and cost amounting to $146.29.

Probate.

J. E. Beddell has been appointed guardian of Lillie Beddell, N. C. M. Bond set at $500.00. Chas. E. Hood, F. T. N. Hood and Henry Aldridge were appointed appraisers.

Marriage License

A. J. Phillips and Carrie Yates.
Paul C. Gilliland and Annie R. Marion.
W. T. Reynolds and Ruby Bolin.
William W. Wilmeth and Minnie Lee Taylor.
Jack Jones and Edna Little.
Charlie Gladden and Rosa M. Woods.
J. H. Wygos and Artie Doris.
M. L. Carroll and Mattie Lou Whorton.
I. G. McIntire and Lillian Chronister.
G. C. Morris and Versie Mae White.
P. P. Hitchcock and Lera Mae Haynes.
Claude Gidney and Annie Lee McIntire.
Roy Maynard and Maggie Rush.
Raymond Craft and Florine Reneau.
R. L. Monk and Ina Fay O'Neal.
H. E. Carroll and M. A. Mathews.
H. M. Seekens and Ruth May Dorter
Jim Dugger and Ida Lou Brady.
George W. Busch and Margaret Lambrecht.
Walter Saurton and Beatrice White.

JUSTICE COURT

Hon. Sid Williams, J. P.
Dink Meador, Constable.
Jim Sparlin, Deputy Constable.
Will Dungan, Deputy Constable.

City Officer Jap Smith made two arrests on charges of vagrancy. The parties entered pleas of guilty and were sent out to the county farm to work out fines.

City Officer Jap Smith filed three cases, charging drunkenness. One of the parties was set out to the county farm, and the other two paid fines.

MISS DAFFAN IS CHOSEN TO HEAD U. D. C.

Waco, Texas, Dec. 7.—Without opposition, Tyler was selected for the 1919 convention of the Texas division, United Daughters of the Confederacy, at the closing session Thursday night. The invitation was extended by the Tyler chapter of the U. D. C., the Chamber of Commerce and the Rotary and Kiwanis clubs of Tyler.

Officers were elected early in the afternoon. Mrs. J. H. Brower, president of Bonnie Blue Flag chapter, Dallas, nominated Mrs. J. Carter, Bardin of Dallas for state president. Miss Katie Daffan of Ennis was nominated for the same office by Miss Decca Lamar West of Waco. Miss Daffan was elected.

Rev. W. D. Cook, pastor of the Methodist church at Princeton, was a welcome visitor at our office and left an order for some job work. We sure thank you Mr. Cook, and are always glad to have you.

Comparative Cost of Onion Production in Collin

Some facts stated and figures offered for onion growers to think about. Quite a number of interested parties have been pointing out the hazard that onion growers are forced to face, such as cost of production, weather conditions and marketing time and etc. Several have asked the newspapers to seek out those who have had experience and have studied the situation and publish some of the information in behalf of the growers and the public generally. We have requested Carl Melton, a long time seed and plant distributor to write an article which we are glad to print as follows:

"The question of which is the most profitable to grow, onions from the seed or from the slips, is a question that is occupying the mind of many farmers in Collin county at this time.

It is not my intention to attempt to say which is the most profitable for I don't know. There are so many things that enter into the making and marketing of onions, such as drouths, over production, bad stands and other things that may be favorable to one and unfavorable for the other that it is impossible to know ahead of time which is going to be the most profitable.

But the profit on any commodity is the difference between the cost of production and the selling value. Onions are no exception. It is this difference in cost that struck us with such tremendous force.

It is estimated that last year Collin county grew about 3000 acres of Bermuda onions or slip type. Whether or not this is correct is immaterial since the relative proportions will hold good.

In three foot rows and 5 inches in the row it would take approximately 35,000 slips to set one acre. At 60 cents per 1000 this would amount to $21 per acre. Seed onions at one pound at $1.50 per pound would amount to $1.50 per acre. To this must be added cost of planting or setting which at $2.00 per day for labor, would amount to $8.00 per acre for slips and 50c per acre for seed. This is figured on the basis of one man setting 1-4 acre of slips per day and with team planting 6 acres of seed. Any one with experience in this kind of work will realize that 1-4 acre per day per hand is very conservative. Before there are any returns from the crop there must also be added cost of containers and harvesting. Assuming that both made 100 bushels per acre, we have $21.00 per acre for slip onions and $8.50 per acre for seed onions, calculated on the basis of 21 cents for crates and 17 cents for bags of 2-bushel capacity. The harvesting would be the same in both cases amounting to 10 cents per bushel or $10.00 per acre.

All other things being equal such as cultivation and etc. We would tabulate these figures in the following form:

	County	Per Acre
Cost of slips	$63,000	$21.00
Cost of labor	$24,000	$8.00
Cost of harvesting	$30,000	$10.00
Cost of containers	$63,000	$21.00
Total	$180,000	$60.00
	County	Per Acre
Cost of seed	$4,500	$1.50
Cost of labor	$1,500	$.50
Cost of harvesting	$30,000	$10.00
Cost of containers	$25,500	$8.50
Total	$61,500	$20.50

Continuing these figures on the basis of different market values we would have:

When onions sell at 50 cents there is a net loss $30,000 in the county or $10.00 loss per acre on slip onions.

On seed onions at same price there would be a profit of $88,500 in county, or a profit of $2.95 per acre.

From the foregoing figures it will be obsreved that it would be necessary to obtain a difference of nearly 50 cents per bushel to make the one more profitable than the other. While there are other things that enter into the crop that would alter conditions, such as greater production, earlier harvest and greater cotton yield due to the fact that the slip onions would be out of the way some thirty days before the seed onions would, we must admit that both from figures and experience that the one is hazardous and the other economically sound.

Could Not Live Without His Gas and Lights

Charlie Maynard has moved back to his pretty farm home half a mile west of the corporate limits of the city. He owns 80 acres of as fine land out there as a crow ever flew over. He has a pretty residence and big barns, hog sheds and chicken houses. A year or two ago he moved to town. But has tired of city life and concluded to go back to his first love, the farm, where he can raise cotton, alfalfa, wheat, corn, hogs, dogs, chickens and turkeys, breathe the pure air and bask in the sunshine. Charlie is a good farmer and keeps his place in tip top shape. He is now adding modern improvements in the way of gas for heating and cookig. Will also put in electric lights. He laughingly remarked that having used electric lights here in town, when he got back "home" and started to read by lamp light he missed the bright light so much that he just had to have the house wired. So he has called on Manager Williams of the Municipal Gas Co. and Manager Ware of the T. P. & L. Co. for help. They have gone to his rescue and in a short while Charlie will be "his happy old self" again.

Mrs. Eugene Crouch is a visitor in Dallas today.

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GRAND LODGE TEXAS MASONS OPENS MEET

Waco, Texas, Dec. 5.—Under an environment marked with solemnity, peace, brotherly love and harmony, the most worshipful grand lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of the grand jurisdiction of Texas was convened in its ninty-third annual grand communication by George R. M. Montgomery of Fort Worth, most worshipful grand master. A floral wreath on the altar of the grand east in memory of the late William Clark, past grand master of Jefferson, marked the departure of one who served the craft in Texas long and faithfully.

A musical program between 9:30 and 10 o'clock by a male chorus from Fort Worth composed of A. C. Upleger, Anton Navratil, William Morrow, H. L. Davis, James Brodie and F. Arthur Johnson rendered a program in connection with the welcome address which was delivered by Mayor T. D. Brooks. Invocation was offered by the Rev. William C. Burton.

FIND CHURCH LOOT WORTH HALF MILLION

San Francisco, Calif., Dec. 8.—Police Friday recovered stolen church goods valued at more than $500,000 and arrested a man who gave the name of Joseph Sauer, Los Angeles, as the head of an international ring of church thieves. The recovered loot included gold chalices, altar cloths, vestments, carpets, gold candelabra and jewels.

Police said Sauer made a statement after questioning and implicated others in Los Angeles, Eastern states and in Europe. Other arrests are expects here in a few days.

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ROTARY CLUB GUESTS OF FOOTE FARM WOMEN

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lightful fifteen or twenty minutes' drive from town out over the pike to the point of entertainment, which is located on the farm of one of the club's most popular younger members, Chandler Atkinson.

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Guests Present.

Seargeant-at-arms Bill Anthony introduced the following guests: County Tax Assessor-elect Orlia J. Moss, guest of A. C. King; Chas. W. Graves, guest of Mayor Tom W. Perkins; J. M. Andrews, guest of Jack Andrews; Prof. R. M. Crabb, guest of Jack Andrews; Dr. L. G. LeGear of St. Louis, guest of the club.

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Prominent Speaker.

Dr. L. G. LeGar is a Texan and a veterinarian by profession, whose name is a household word among farmers almost throughout the world on account of his products manufactured and extensively used by stockmen and poultry people. Dr. LeGear was in McKinney to address the Collin County Poultry association, dairymen, live stock people and farmers in general of our entire county. In addition to being eminent in his profession, and pere-eminently successful in a business way as a manufacturer of his own products, Dr. LeGear is a most gifted orator, who specializes in his talks on the problems of the farmer, stockmen and poultry breeders. He is witty and drives home his points with humorous stories that imprints his messages of inspiration in a lasting way in the minds and hearts of his hearers.

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Mrs. Hugh Chandler.

Mrs. Hugh Chandler, a member of the club, spoke words of appreciation for the Foote Home Demonstration club ladies at being permitted to serve the McKinney Rotary club. She expressed the hope that the club would come again. Mrs. Will Chandler, another member of the club, also presented a bag of food to Tom M. Scott, who in fitting words, complimented the club ladies in a neat and gallant way.

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Musical Numbers.

Secretary Jack Andrews of the Rotary club played two numbers on his marimbaphone, accompanied by Prof. R. M. Crabb on the violin. This combination of music could not have been sweeter or more entrancing to the ear.

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A Little Reader.

The club was delighted with a couple of readings by little Miss Mary Bland Smith, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jeff Smith, the latter one of the Foote club members. This little girl of 6 or 7, is certainly an artist for a child. Her readings were aptly chosen and kept the Rotarians in laughter most of the time of their delivery.

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Officers of the Club.

The Foote club is one of the thirty or thirty-five home demonstration clubs in the county that have been organized and are being directed in their work by Mrs. Viola Poole McGee, county home demonstration Mrs. H. H. Chandler is president of the Foote club; Mrs. R. N. Furr is vice-president and Mrs. Jesse Smith is secretary.

Local Rotarians will long remember their Foote visit as one of the most enjoyable luncheon hour periods that they have ever enjoyed.

P. A. MILLICAN AND FAMILY HERE FROM WHEELER CO.

P. A. Millican of Shamrock, Wheeler county, Northwest Texas, was in McKinney recently on a brief visit back in Collin, where he formerly lived in the Climax community. His good wife and two daughters, Misses Willard and Lucille, accompanied him. We regret to lose such a worthy family from our county, but wish them good health and prosperity in their new home in Wheeler. The Democrat-Gazette is a weekly visitor in their home, bearing to them the cream of their old Collin home to their family fireside.

Lillard Caldwell, of Route 3, Anna, subscribed for the Weekly Democrat-Gazette and Dallas Semi-Weekly Democrat-Gazette and Dallas Semi-Weekly Farm News at clubbing rate. Mr. Caldwell resides on the L. W. Nichols farm and is a hard-working, honest, tiller of the soil.

Nature Thought of Everything

Nature thought of everything when the human body was made. When the body is about to become ill, nature planned danger signals to warn us. Thus, if our children grind their teeth when they sleep, or lack appetite, or suffer from abdominal pains, or itch about the nose and fingers, we should know that they may have contracted worms. Then, if we are wise, we buy a bottle of White's Cream Vermifuge and safely and surely expel the worms. Thus we avoid the danger of very serious trouble. White's Cream Vermifuge costs only 35c a bottle, and can be bought from Smith Drug Company.

Behind the Scenes in Hollywood

Hollywood.—Mingled cries emanated from Walter Morosco's office. Even a disinterested male would have been a-twitter with curiosity. Hence, my curiosity simmered to the point where I dared knock imperiously and eagerly to the invitation: "Come in."

Mr. Morosco sat rocking in his swivel chair, grinning. Forrest Halsey, scenarist for the Corinne Griffith pictures, sat grinning. Gene Towne, the youthful gag man and title writer for Miss G.'s flickers, stood innocently in the middle of the floor.

"Anything wrong?" I queried hopefully.

"Nothing. Nothing 'atall," beamed the irresponsible Gene. "Walter here turned down my subtitles and I'm just trying to earn my weekly salary."

Whereupon he commenced turning handsprings, running up and down the desks and hopping on one foot.

"I'm getting out of here," Forrest roared, "before that guy lands in my vest pocketd." He fled.

"I can't take a chance either," cried Walter. He fled.

Gene smiled. "There's gratitude for you." And the two of us sauntered out on the First National lot.

This Gene Towns is what may be popularly termed a character. He's just a kid—twenty-four. He earns around $650 a week. He "gagged" Corinne's last flicker, "Outcast," and he's doing ditto for her forthcoming one, "Saturday's Children." He has written a play which Fannie Brice wants to produce. He has written another that Jed Harris wants to chaperon. He's going to collaborate with Forrest Halsey on one. Gene's chief distinction is disregard for his moustache. He rates the only man I have ever seen with a lip decoration who doesn't yank at it to be sure 'tis still in place.

When Corinne Griffith was four years old she ran away with a circus. She did, too. The Griffith family had moved to a small town in Texas. Corinne's father was a railroad man, so they arrived in a private car, thereby aweing their future neighbors no end. A circus came to town. Corinne followed the beautiful read wagon. The Circus folk made the 44-year-old welcome. Her mother was worried sick. Her father set forth to find her, and the town being liliputian he succeeded.

Corinne, to his despair, set up an awful howl. She didn't want to go home. She liked the circus. Being a delicate child, she had always won her way. Mr. Griffith yielded. He did more. He bought the circus! When Mrs. Griffith heard this she packed up her baggage and with the other two children departed for mother's house in a nearby town. The next day the sheriff came to see Mr. Griffith. Seemed there were matters of law to be settled not mentioned by the former circus' owner. Mr. G. returned the tent and the freks with his compliments. Mr. G. returned to the fireside and Corinne forgot the beautiful read wagon.

CORINNE GRIFFITH.

FORMER BLUE RIDGE RESIDENT DIES IN DALLAS

Word has been received in this city of the death of E. I. Cambron in Baylor hospital Dallas Saturday night at 9:45 o'clock. The deceased is a former resident of this county where he resided in Blue Ridge for a number of years with his family, later moving to McKinney where the family resided for several years. The deceased had been a patient in Baylor hospital for the past month, but before going there, was manager of the Patterson-McGeehee Gin company at Floydada, Texas.

The deceased was born March 9, 1876, and was at the time of his passing 52 years old. He is survived by his wife and the following children: Ross Cambron, manager of the R. G. Lewis Clothing company of Dallas; Miss Daphne Cambron, a teacher in the El Paso schools; Emmett Cambron of Floydada, and Ray Edward, at home. He is also survived by his mother, Mrs. Mary A. Cambron of the Pike community in this county, and by three brothers and two sisters.

Impressive funeral services were held this (Monday) afternoon at 2 o'clock in Blue Ridge, under the direction of the Wilson Funeral home of Leonard.

The deceased was a quiet, unostentatious gentleman, who had a wide circle of friends residing in this city and county. For many years past he hed been engaged in the gin business until he moved to Dallas to undergo treatment.

His many friends greatly sympathize with his bereaved ones in the loss of their beloved husband and father. His new-made bier was covered with a profusion of beautiful flowers, which bespoke the high esteem in which he was held.

RENEWS AT HALF-PRICE HOLIDAY RATE FOR 2 YEARS

J. W. Brazeal of Route 1, Plano, was a recent visitor in McKinney and dropped in at our office to subscribe for the Democrat-Gazette. In fact, he paid for two years in advance on the paper in order to get it at its special half-price holiday rate. He also takes the Semi-Weekly Farm News at clubbing rate.

L. J. Giney, who lives near Anna, called on us Thursday to renew for the Daily Courier-Gazette, which he has been taking for a good many years, taking advantage of our special holiday rate of $3.50 for our daily and the Dallas Semi-Weekly Farm News one year. Mr. Gainey is an old settler of Collin county, coming here from South Carolina fory-nine years ago. Although 82 years of age, he still does some work on the farm.

MRS. JACKSON IS CLAIMED BY GRIM REAPER

Mrs. Susan Jackson, wife of George P. Jackson, died at the family home, East Jefferson street, this city, Saturday morning at 5 o'clock. Deceased had been in declining health for the past two years, being confined to her bed most of the time.

Deceased was formerly Miss Susan Shannon. She was born near Springplace, Ga., June 2, 1862, and was therefore 66 years 5 months and 28 days old at the time of her departure.

She was married to George B. Jackson March 8, 1878. They moved to Texas more than forty years ago, first settling near Lewisville, Denton county, but later moving to Collin county, settling west of Plano and had lived near Plano ever since. For twenty-one years Mr. and Mrs. Jackson lived on a farm belonging to "Uncle Clint" Haggard.

About two years ago they moved to Plano. Besides her husband, the deceased is survived by the following children: Mrs. W. W. Crawford, Dallas; Mrs. W. H. Lindsey, Denton; Miss Pearl Jackson, Plano; Paul Jackson, Plano and Miss Emma Jackson, Nacogdoches and three grandchildren and one great-grandchild. She is also survived by one brother, Hugh Shannon of Atlanta, Ga., he being present for the funeral and burial.

In early girlhood the deceased united with the Methodist church. Many years ago she joined the Baptist church at Liberty, west of Plano, of which church she was a faithful member until sickness came and kept her away from the services. She was a devoted wife, a loving mother and a kind neighbor.

Funeral services were held Monday afternoon at 2 o'clock, in the Plano Baptist church, conducted by the pastor, Rev. A. L. Leake. Interment followed in the Mutual cemetery, this city.

The floral offering was profuse and beautiful.

Pallbearers were Clint Haggard Ray Haggard, Claude Thompson, John Everett and Jonas Huffman.

Honorary pallbearers were: John Haggard, Walter Haggard, J. H. Gulledge, J. G. Thompson, Dr. M. O. Perry, A. Weatherford, D. S. Coleman, H. B. Carlisle, M. McCullum, Chas. Dooley, J. R. Dooley, N. P. Lynge, L. A. Huguley, C. J. Mathews, F. H. Thompson, Frank Fletcher, Coral Bishop, Ed Haggard, Charlie Thomas, Bud Kealy, Roy Bradley, Joe Crawford of Lewisville and E. M. Estes and R. C. Fotner.—Plano Star-Courier.

Mrs. John Moore, who has been confined to her bed with illness, is now able to sit up.

FORESTER POINTS NEED PUBLICLY OWNED LAND

PROGRAM FOR ENLARGEMENT OF PRIVATE FORESTRY

The protection of critical watersheds and the reclamation of idle and non-productive land in the eastern half of the United States requires a very material extension of public ownership of forest areas, Major R. Y. Stuart, chief of the Forest Service, United States Department of Agriculture, points out in his annual report for the fiscal year 1928 made public today.

"The only forest lands on critical areas that are now contributing full service from the standpoint of flood control are those embraced in public forests and parks," Major Stuart says, "and a substantial increase of public forest-land ownership and administration will be essential to the adequate regulation of stream flow on the headwaters of the Mississippi and its principal tributaries. The same is true elsewhere. Altogether there are unquestionably scores of millions of acres in the East that are subject to harmful erosion and seriously accelerated stream flow discharge through impairment of the forest cover, and to a degree which will presumably necessitate much more extensive public-forest ownership than even the present national program contemplates."

The hearings held by the Senate Select Committee on Reforestation in 1923 disclosed that vast areas of forest lands were in danger of lapsing into unproductiveness, that where new timber growth has followed utilization of the original stand it is in large part a relatively poor growth—a wild land natural crop produced in the face of many adverse circumstances—and that the future timber needs of the country are not being adequately provided for.

R. Q. Lee of Cisco, congressman pledged his best efforts in congress to furthering the agricultural interests of his state and district with particular regard to diversification.

M'KINNEY DIST. STEWARDS IN ANNUAL SESSION

The annual District Stewards' meeting was held in the Methodist church at Richardson on Dec. 3, with R. G. Mood, presiding elder, in the chair. Walter B. Wilson was re-elected secretary. A number of stewards and other church officials and pastors from over the district were present.

There are twenty-seven pastors in the district, and the same number of district stewards. Most of the pastors were present, except four, who were either detained by illness or by funerals.

The district stewards have the duty of fixing the salary for the presiding elder for the ensuing year, and in attending to business pertaining to the district parsonage, which is located at McKinney.

Dr. Mood is starting on his third year in the presiding eldership of this district. The affairs of the church, both temporal and spiritual throughout the district, are starting off on the new conference year in a satisfactory way.

COLLEGE MEN ATTEND MEET AT FT. WORTH

Fort Worth, Texas, Dec. 6.—Opening of the annual convention of the Southern Association of Colleges for Women brought an additional quota of college presidents and deans to Fort Worth Wednesday to join those already gathered to attend three other large meetings of educators. Close to 1,000 prominent school men were in attendance.

Three of the meetings, that of the American Association of Junior colleges, which started Monday, the Association for Women, concluded their conventions Wednesday. The Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools of the southern States will end its sessions Friday.

A fifth convention opens Thursfor a three days' gathering at Texas Christian university, the annual meeting of the Texas Athletic Conference of College Women.

WAR MATERIAL VIEWS SHOWN

Geneva, Dec. 6.—An international conference may be convoked as the result of a meeting which started here Wednesday of the special commission which is seeking to frame an agreement concerning the control and the manufacture of war material. A free exchange of views between members of the commission gave rise to a hope that it could find common ground among the many divergent views on the subject.

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GIVE RETIRING GRAND MASTER USUAL TOKENS

Waco, Texas, Dec. 7.—In the closing hours of the ninety-third annual grand communication of the most worshipful Grand lodge of Texas Wednesday there were many solemn moments and among the most were the presentation to George R. Montgomery, retiring grand master, of the official jewel of a past grand master and a presentation of a Scottish Rite ring from Fort Worth lodge No. 148. Past Grand Master Andrew L. Randell presented to Mr. Montgomery the past grand master' jewel.

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TAKE TWO MEN SHORTLY AFTER BANK ROBBERY

Kelleyville, Okla., Dec. 7.—After a gun battle between alleged bandits who robbed the Bank of Kellyville Thursday morning and a posse of citizens and deputy sheriffs, two young men were captured three miles south of here. One of the men captured was shot in the back and one of the posse received a slight flesh wound.

Following the robbery, the bandits locked Cashier Horace Harvey in the vault and fled.

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KIDNAPED BOY IS FOUND DEAD UNDER BRIDGE

New York, Dec. 7.—The body of boy answering the description of Joseph Storella, 7, who was kidnaped from his home on the East Side on Nov. 17, was found Thursday in a swamp under a bride near Secaucus, N. J. Jersey City police, who found the body, notified police headquarters here.

Private Cosmo Storella of Fort Ethan Allen, Vt., later identified the body as that of his brother, Joseph.

A systematic search of the swamps was started at daybreak as the result of an alleged statement by Peter Kudzinowski, 28, to the police in Detroit, where he was arrested for intoxication.

Manager O. A. Reese of the McKinney Compress company is at home from a few days' business trip to Houston and Galveston.

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SPEAKER TALKS ON MANY PHASES POULTRY CARE

Dr. L. E. LeGear, of St. Louis, Mo., poultry and dairy expert whose reputation has extended over this and other nations, addressed a group of Collin county poultry and dairymen at 1:30 o'clock Friday afternoon. He was introduced by Secretary Clarence W. Smith of the McKinney Chamber of Commerce.

Taking tor his subject, "How To Make the Farm Flock Pay," the speaker discussed housing poultry, sanitation and disinfection, culling, feeding and watering poultry and then followed with demonstrations of giving medicine to and dissecting fowls.

"I visited here 30 or 35 years ago," began Dr. LeGear, "visiting McKinney, Allen, Van Alstyne and other towns in this section of the state." At that time, however, he was acting as a veterinarian.

He recalled arriving in Austin, Texas, 35 years ago, an invalid and possessing only $10. He had to make good. He started in his present business, which has grown to be the largest industry of its kind in the world. Because of his success in the state, although he now makes his home in St. Louis, he is always glad to come back to Texas.

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Chose Lecture Tour.

He traced the growth of his industry from its establishment until the present time. His business expanded and grew and he made money. He retired, but was like a fish out of water, he said, so he had to do something. As a result, he chose a lecture tour, which he is making at his own expense. The people of this and other states made possible his success; therefore he owes something to those who made his success possible.

Before he launched into his discussion, he told of his graduation from the Ontario Veterinary College 37 years ago and of the establishment of his business. He raises White Rocks, and referred to his famous broadcasting rooster which, no doubt, local citizens have heard crowing over their favorite radio station.

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Offers Opportunities.

Launching into a discussion of his subject, "How To Make Farm Flocks Pay,' he asserted that poultry raising offers more opportunities for profit than any other thing open to small investors. The industry produces one billion dollars annually, and last year produced around $1,250,000,000. He told his hearers in this county that Collin county was not getting its share of this large patronage and urged them to enter more vigorously into poultry and dairying, both needed to balance farming in this section. Our climate is splendid for poultry raising, we have cheap feed and other causes help to make ours a fine poultry section.

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A Wonderful Animal.

The chicken, he said, is a wonderful animal. He referred to the statement of an old darky who said it was an animal you could eat before it was born and after it was dead.

"The first essential thing in poultry raising is a poultry house," he asserted, as he put together a miniature model poultry house which he always takes along with which to demonstrate. "It should be 20 feet square, with ordinary shed roof, open front, and should face south. It is elevated three feet from the ground, six feet high in the rear, 9 feet high in front. The north, east and west walls should be closed all the year except in the summer, when they should be raised. The house should possess a good non-leakable roof. The chickens should roost next the north wall, and there should be either a concrete or board floor. Never close the front of the house. The dropping board should be along the north wall.

"Such a poultry house, he asserted, would accomodate, in this section, about 125 large chickens and from 150 to 160 smaller fowls. The roost should be just above the dropping board, 6 or 8 inches.

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Nest For Four Hens.

He urged his hearers to place their nests under the front edge of the dropping board; they need to be dark. There should be one nest for every four hens; the nests should be kept clean and China nest eggs should be used.

"As to yarding, Dr. LeGear said that the proper amount of eggs the year round depended on yarding. A half acre is plenty of room for a flock of 100 fowls. He recently saw 36,000 hens on 35 acres and they were doing splendidly.

Dr. LeGear, who was taken on a trip to poultry raisers and breeders of this city and vicinity Friday morning by Mrs. J. Ed McGee, county home demonstration agent, deplored the fact that there was so little green stuff growing for the chickens. Wheat, oats, barley and rye are needed by poultry and raisers should have it growing. Keep your poultry off of it until a few inches high and then turn them into the grand.

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They All Pay In the Spring.

It is only natural that our hens lay well in the spring, when eggs are cheap, but keeping them laying the year round, and in the fall and winter, depends upon the care of the poultry by our breeders.

Dr. LeGear also briefly discussed co-operative marketing which he praised highly, as well as marketing of eggs, only the best ones of which should be sold.

Dr. LeGear referred to sanitation and disinfection as one of the secrets of poultry raising. We must keep the poultry houses and premises clean. He illustrated spraying poultry houses and told what to use and in what proportions.

In a disgussion of feeding for winter production, he said poultry should be fed a light feed of grain in the morning, a dry mash kept out all day, a small wet mash at noon, and all the grain they can eat at night. In regard to the mash, if the poultryman does not use the very best ingredients in making his own mash, it is better to use commercial mash. See that the chickens have green food, oyster shells and mash, he warned.

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Culling Poultry.

Speaking of culls, Dr. LeGear urged those in the audience to get rid of them the first opportunity. "They don't pay. What you need is chickens with good, bright eyes, a long, broad back and deep, good capacity. And don't mix breeds of chickens."

While on the subject of culling, the speaker told his hearers that the best way to cull is by the trap nest, using it 365 days in the year.

The cow, the sow and hen philosophy was lauded by Dr. LeGear, who said the dairy cow and chickens should go together, as well as hogs and other livestock, and orchards.

One and two-year-old hens are best for breeding purposes. Pullets eggs cause many runts among the poultry flock. Wherever pullets are used for breeding purposes, an old rooster should be used. In the ordinary poultry flock of 100 fowls, from 40 to 60 should be replaced every year.

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Feed Hopper

The feed hopper plays an important role in the life of our chickens and Dr. LeGear illustrated the kind of hopper that should be used, showing a miniature model. It should be 12 inches wide, 7 inches high on either side and from 10 to 14 feet long.

The watering problem is another important item for the poultry raisers to think about. In the middle of a platform, 2 feet square, 2x4, or 2x6, a galvanized bucket should be placed in the center about half way down into the ground so the chickens can jump up on its sides and drink. Chickens must drink lots of water. Since a large portion of the egg is composed of water we can readily see the importance of water in the life of the chicken. Don't put water in a wooden trough, he said. Milk is also good for poultry, all the way from the young baby chick to the old hen, in the form of fresh buttermilk or clabbermilk. The milk contains lactic acid, which kills germs ofttimes found in small chickens, especially.

After answering questions, Dr. LeGear then demonstrated on several fowls, all the while giving facts and information of vital interest to all poultry breeders. An especially interesting demonstration was the giving of Epsom Salts to a chicken. For a big hen, he would give a teaspoonful of salts; for a smaller one, three-fourths of a teaspoonful. Demonstratiing he made a pill containing the Epsom Salts. A teaspoonful of Epsom Salts was taken first and placed in a cup. Then a corresponding portion of flour, to make the ingredients stick together, followed by a half teaspoonful of poultry prescription and the ingredient was ready after a few drops of water had been added and the mixture thoroughly stirred.

He also dissected several fowls during the course of his lecture.

MISS MARY ETHEL STROUP RECENTLY MARRIED AT WOODARD

Relatives and friends in McKinney and other parts of this county are in receipt of the announcement by Mrs. O. J. Stroup of the marriage of her daughter, Miss Mary Ethel Stroup to Mr. Steve Ward. The marriage took place Monday, Nov. 5, 1928, at Woodward, Bowie county, Texas. Mr. and Mrs. Ward are at home to their friends at Tarzan, Texas.

The bride was born and reared in the New Life community, about twelve miles northeast of McKinney. Her father, who is now deceased, and her mother were old-time settlers in that part of our county, where she has many cousins and other relatives and friends still living. These editors join in felicitating this happy young couple.

OFFICERS ENFORCE PUNCHBOARD LAW

A representative of the Daily Courier-Gazette and Weekly Democrat-Gazette, while looking over the court records in the court house this week, noticed that local officers are strictly enforcing the law in regard to the operation of punch boards over the city. Three residents, we noticed, have already been arrested lately and have paid fines. One hundred dollars in the minimum fine that can be assessed for this offense.

Local officers state that the holiday season, now fast approaching, is a time when punch boards usually thrive, and that they are going to be vigilant and expect to enforce this law to the fullest extent.

BIG OIL DEAL FOR M'KINNEY

O. H. Sullivan, representing the O. H. Sullivan & Co., oil refiners and distributors, is here this week in connection with distributing his product, handled by the Buy-Lo Cash grocery. Two parts of oil will be given away free at the Buy-Lo store with the purchase of two quarts of double-run oil at 20c per quart. Turn to their advertisement in this issue and read it for further information.

Mrs. R. C. Merritt of Dallas is visiting her mother, Mrs. J. M Pearson.

MISS LUCAS AND FRANK RAGSDALE ARE MARRIED

Friends in this city were pleasantly surprised to learn of the marriage of Miss Virginia Lucas, daughter of Capt. and Mrs. Tully B. Lucas, to Frank Ragsdale, son of Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Ragsdale, both of this city. The wedding was a quiet home affair and was performed at the home of the bride's parents, 707 South Tennessee street, at 7 o'clock Wednesday evening, Dec. 5, Rev. J. A. Old, pastor of the First Methodist church, officiated at this beautiful ceremony.

Only the immediate members of the family, Bill Furr of this city, and Miss Katherine Davidson of Dallas were present at the ceremony.

The happy bride and groom immediately moved into their home, 207 East Standifer street, which was already furnished and ready for occupany.

Both the bride and groom are graduates of the McKinney High school. The bride entered the Metropolitan Business college in Dallas, where she took a secretarial course. She has been a valuable and efficient employe of the law firm of Truett & Neathery for some time, where she will continue as before. she has a wide circle of friends and admirers in this city and elsewhere, where she is known, who love and admire her for her many fine traits of chaacter and genial good nature.

The groom is a young man of sterling character, who numbers his friends by his acquaintances. He is not only well known, but is highly esteemed by all who know him. He is a faithful employe in the office of the Collin County Mill & Elevator Co. in this city.

A dinner will be given the happy bride and groom at 7 o'clock this (Friday) evening at the home of the bride's parents, in honor of the happy young couple. We join with their many other friends in wishing them many years of happiness together as they journey through life.

J. S. SCOTTY FORSYTH URGES APPOINTMENT CHURCH COMMITTEES

J. S. (Scotty) Forsyth, chairman of the disbursement committee of the United Charities, outlines a plan whereby the disbursements of the funds to the needy of McKinney will be placed in the right hand, and also much quicker than has been heretofore possible. His letter to these papers follows:

Editors Courier-Gazette:

Gentlemen, I would like to make some suggestions in regard to the work of the United Charities. I find that it is impossible for me to personally investigate all the cases coming to my attention as promptly as they should be looked into, hence I make this suggestion: Let each church appoint two, preferably a man and a woman, who will give prompt and personal attention. It is especially desirable that the outlying churches do this because most of the cases are in their territory. This does not mean that the chairity belongs to your church. Most churches take care of their own poor, but sometimes they can't do this. Those appointed should have a telephone; it also should be someone who could look for employment for the applicant, as it is much better to give work than give alms. An outsider can frequently secure work when the applicant themselves can't do it. Some folks would starve before making a personal application for relief, and I want to especially get in touch with such cases. I do not hear well, hense I prefer a personal call. If our citizenshfip will heed this call and send me the names they appoint I feel as though we can work out a plan that will be to the betterment of all, and there will not be as much misapplication of funds.

Yours truly,
J. S. FORSYTH.

EDD WESTER GROCERY STORE ADVERTISES

Edd Wester, who owns and operates the Edd Wester suburban grocery store at the corner of North College and West Erwin streets, places an advertisement in this paper inviting a portion of your trade. He emphasizes the fact that his rent is low and other small expenses, and doing his own clerking. On this basis, he is soliciting a share of your trade.

FIRE INSURANCE OFFICIAL PAYS M'KINNEY VISIT

Former Mayor Tom Justiss of Paris, now with the State Fire Insurance department, paid McKinney an official visit Friday. He called on Mayor Perkins, who, by the way, is a cousin to the former mayor and chief of the fire department, J. S. McKinney. Mayor Justice is a native of Lamar county, and for four years was mayor of Paris. He is kind, courteous and friendly, and his visit here was much appreciated by Mayor Perkins and Chief McKinney.

HENDERSON COUNTY NEWSPAPER MAN VISITOR HERE

Dick Harris, one of Texas' best-known newspaper men, editor of the Henderson County News, at Rusk, was a business visitor in McKinney Thursday, calling in to chat a few minutes with these two editors, old-time friends. He came to McKinney with Maxwell F. Perkins, state representative of the Duplex Press company of Battle Creek, Mich., to look over the large, fast press used by the Daily Courier-Gazette and Weekly Democrat-Gazette, which was purchased from the Duplex Press company. We were pleased to meet and greet this fine editor and long-time personal friend and admirer of these two editors. Dick Harris is a successful newspaper man, a money-maker and a fine fellow. He is a past president of the Texas Press association. Drop by and see us more often, Friend Dick.

EDGAR MERONEY FORMER COLLIN RESIDENT DIES

Edgar Meroney, about 50 years old, a one-time resident of Princeton, died at his home in Shreveport, La., Tuesday, Dec. 4. His body was shipped here, and arrived at 1 o'clock today (Thursday), where it was met by the John K. Wilson Undertaking firm of Princeton, and conducted to Princeton, where, at 2 o'clock, funeral services were held in the Christian church, conducted by Rev. A. H. Snider. The deceased had been away from Princeton twelve years. He was one of the first mail carriers to carry a route out of Princeton, and held this position for several years. His wife died about five years ago, while they were making their residence at Dallas.

He is survived by three children, two boys, Gus and Cecil Meroney, and one daughter, Opal. He will be remembered by many of the old-timers of this county, who regret his passing on.

J. C. PENNEY CO. GIVES DOLL SHOW

A doll show attended by many children and grown-ups of the city was held by the J. C. Penney Co. Friday afternoon. Miss Dorothy Mouzon told the story of dolls and the children and other visitors were delighted with the program rendered.

CLARENCE GARLAND TAKES AUSTIN, TEXAS BRIDE

Friends in this city will be surprised to learn of the marriage of Clarence Garland, son of Mr. and Mrs. James Garland of this city, to Miss Margaret Howard of Austin, Texas, both of whom are teaching in the high school at Eagle Pass, Texas. They were married Thanksgiving day, Thursday, Nov. 29, at high noon at Austin and motored on up to McKinney to spend a few hours with his parents, going back to Eagle Pass, where they resumed their teaching Monday morning.

Mr. Garland is well known in this city, where he resided with his parents for several years. He attended the McKinney High school, from which he graduated with honors. He later attended State university at Austin, later going to Eagle Pass, where he is still teaching.

His many friends here and the many friends of the pride, as well as their other friends over the state, will be glad to learn of this happy marriage, all of whom wish them many years of happy married life.

REV. RALPH MOORE'S SUBJECT TONIGHT WILL BE "HELL"

Rev. Ralph Moore's subject last night, in the revival services being conducted at the North Baptist church, was "The Crucifixion." In his own tender, quiet and affectionate wey he held the attention of the audience and each listener was made to appreciate the price of salvation. Tonight's subject is "Hell." Everybody is extended a sincere and cordial invitation to attend and the members are lovingly urged to get into the meeting.

CAPT. J. W. FIELDS HAS SLIGHT STROKE

Capt. J. W. Fields, a beloved, pioneer citzen, 89 years old, suffered a slight paralytic stroke early Friday morning on West Liuisiana street. He was carried to his home, on the corner of College and Louisiana streets, where he was resting very well late Friday evening.

Mrs. Jim Hill, who lives west of town, was called to Amarillo to the bedside of her daughter, Mrs. Ben Carter, who is critically ill. Her many friends hope for her early recovery.

Miss Ella Mae Harrison, efficient stenographer in the Central State bank, has recovered, and is now back at her accustomed place in the bank. Her friends are mighty glad to see her out again.

DR. L. E. HOARD ELECTED NEW DENTISTS HEAD

Dr. L. E. Hoard, member of the dentist firm of Hoard & Hoard, of this city, with offices over the Central State bank, has been honored with his election to the presidency of the Fourth Congressional District Dentist association. The quarterly meeting of this organization assembled at the Beckman hotel in Greenville Wednesday and it was at this gathering that Dr. Hoard was named as president.

Oother officers named are Dr. J. M. Weems, of Sherman, secretary and Dr. English of Sherman, vice-president.

The meeting was a most important one and interesting throughout. A feature was the talk by Dr. Wetsel of Dallas on the subject of "Pyorrhea."

The association, which meets quarterly, voted to meet next in Denton, Texas, to be held there some time in March.

The Fourth Congressional District Dentists' association is composed of dentists of Collin, Fannin, Hunt, Grayson and Hopkins counties. They met here several months ago, our readers will remember.

Local citizens are glad to learn of Dr. Hoard's elevation to the presidency of this associatin. He is capable, highly esteemed and trustworthy and has a wide circle of friends and well-wishers here. These papers, together with his many friends, congratulate Dr. Hoard and predict a successful year for the dentist association under his leadership.

TAX COLLECTOR URGES OWNERS REGISTER NOW

According to information given out by A. T. Raper, tax collector of Collin county, the automobile registrations for the year 1929 are coming in fairly well, and more have registered than at this time last year. Mr. Raper urged all owners of automobiles that mail applications for the new plates to send 8 cents postage to cover mailing, as this year the state does not pay same. Mr. Raper said that all applicants must have the new 1929 headlight recipts, and as some headlight testing stations have been sending the old 2928 blanks, he urges that the stations obtain new blanks from the county clerk. Only cash, cashier's check or money order will be acceptable in payment for licenses. He urges automobile owners to register now so as to avoid the rush on January 1.

SCOUT EXECUTIVE, COUNCIL 10 AREA VISITOR HERE

Scout Executive Jno. S. Cotton, of Council 10 area, of which McKinney and Collin county is a member, was in McKinney Wednesday, and while here told of the recent Thanksgiving feast and meeting held by Boy Scouts, parents of scouts and scout officials at Camp Wisdom. The occasion was the annual Thanksgiving barbecue, Given by Dad Wisdom at Camp Wisdom, an annual feature at Thanksgiving time.

The feast and barbecue, according to Mr. Cotton, went over in grand style, and the scouts and others present helped themselves to what they wanted in cafeteria fashion. They all sat about in groups enjoying the food and renewing old friendships, as well as making new ones.

After the feast, newly-elected officers of Circle 10 councile were installed with appropriate ceremonies. Frank P. Holland is the new president and Thos E. Craig of McKinney is vice-president.

The new waterworks plant, a recent gift of one of the large Texas utilities company, was dedicated with a proper program.

"All in all," said Mr. Cotton, "it was a big time for everyone present."

He went on to say that many Boy Scouts from all over this area are expected toattend the Christmas camp, at Camp Wisdom, from Dec. 26 to 29, inclusive.

"So pack up your duffle," adds Mr. Cotton, "in your old kit bag and be one of them" is his advice to scouts of this city and county in regard to this Christmas camp.

Mrs. Jimmp Beldon and son, Jack have return from a several day's visit with friends and relatives of Fort Worth.

Si Walker, who is attending Baylor College at Waco, is spending the week end with his mother, Mrs. S. E. Walker.

Mrs. Lily Gantt and son, Elmer, and little daughter of Princeton are the guests of Mr .and Mrs. D. W. Bagwill.

R. J. Walton, of the Collin County Mill & Elevator Co., has been confined to his home with illness for the past several days.

RASKOB PLANS PARTY PARLEY

New York, Dec. 6.—A conference of the leaders of the Democratic party will be called shortly after the Christmas holidays by National Chairman John J. Raskob for a discussion of organization plans for evolving a program for the next four years.

Governor Smith, leaders of the house and senate and national committeemen probably will be invited to attend. The meeting will be informal and probably will take no definite action.

Rev. Benj. Bean, rector of St. Peter's Episcopal church, was a business visitor in Dallas Thursday after noon.

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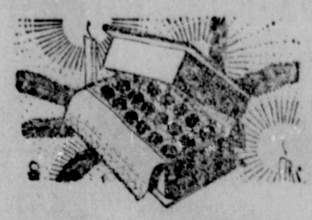

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